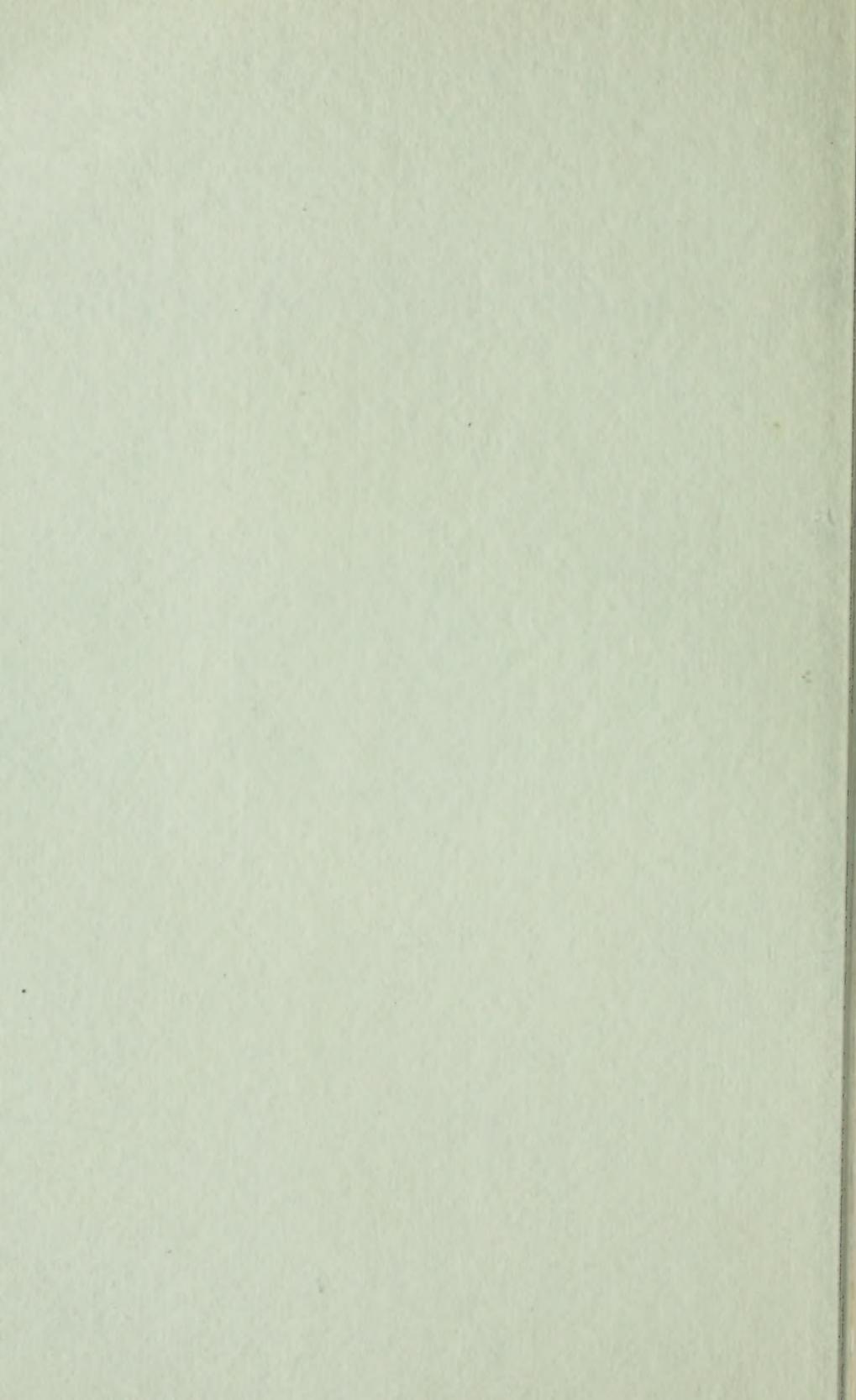


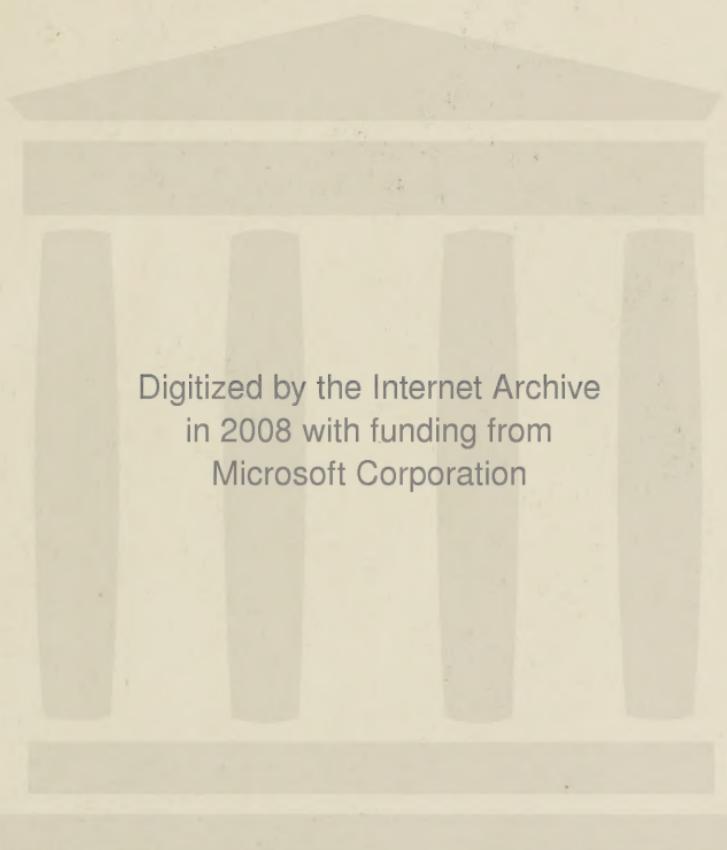
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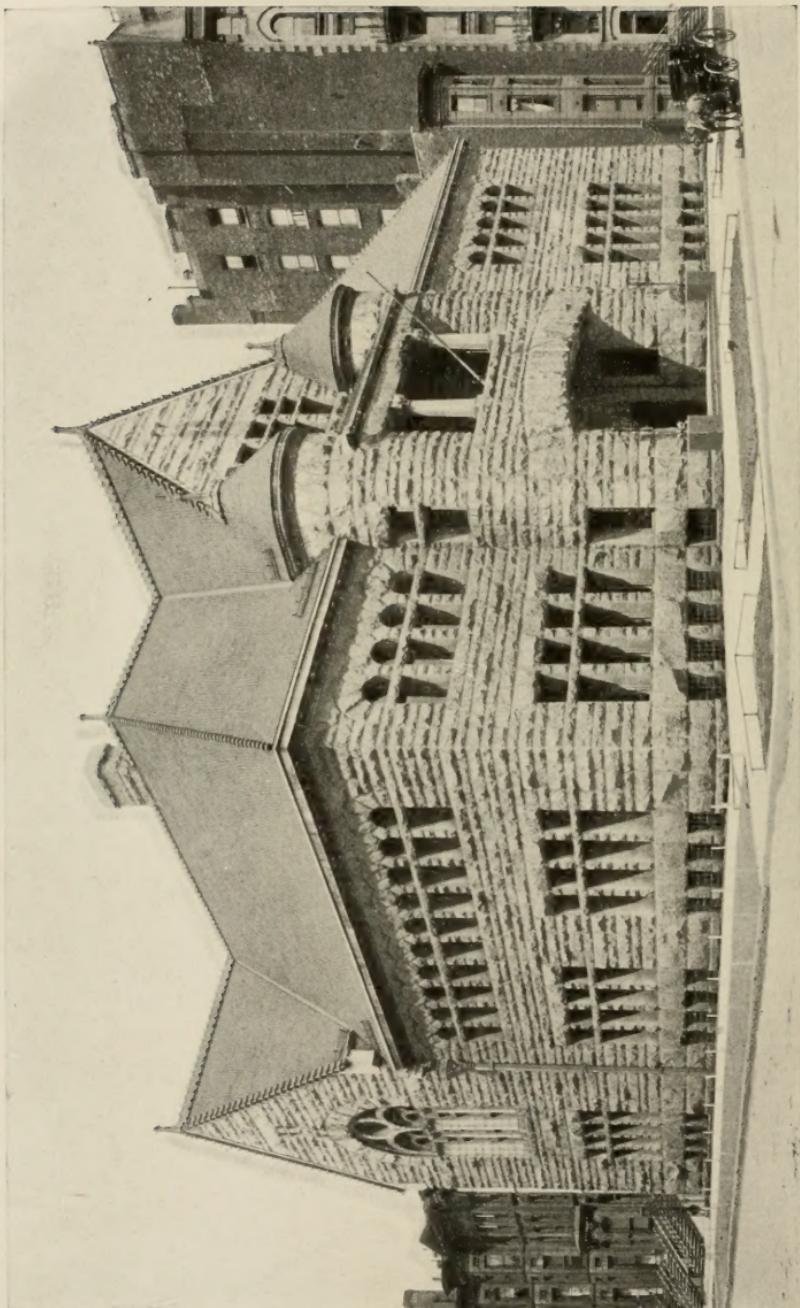
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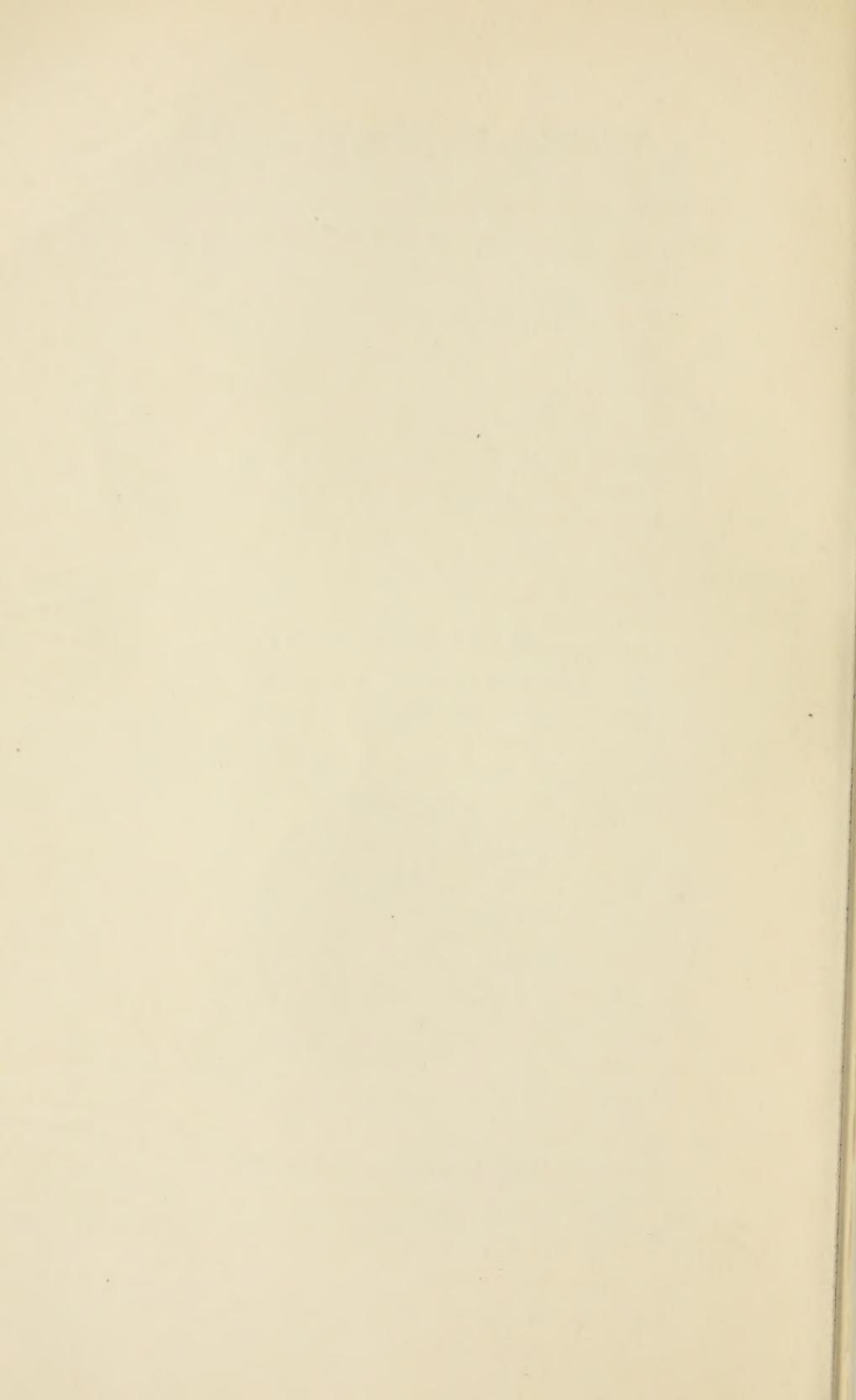
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CHARTER.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

WHEREAS, it is conducive to the public good of a State to encourage such institutions as have for their object to collect and preserve the memorials of its founders and benefactors, as well as the historical evidences of its progress in settlement and population, and in the arts, improvements, and institutions which distinguish a civilized community, and to transmit the same for the instruction and benefit of future generations:

SECTION I. Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly, That William H. Brown, William B. Ogden, J. Young Scammon, Mason Brayman, Mark Skinner, Geo. Manierre, John H. Kinzie, J. V. Z. Blaney, E. I. Tinkham, J. D. Webster, W. A. Smallwood, V. H. Higgins, N. S. Davis, Charles H. Ray, S. D. Ward, M. D. Ogden, F. Scammon, E. B. McCagg, and William Barry, all of the City of Chicago, who have associated for the purpose aforesaid, be and are hereby formed into and constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the "CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY," and that they and their successors, and such others as shall be legally elected by them as their associates, shall be and continue a body politic and corporate, by that name, forever.

SEC. 2. Said Society shall have power to elect a President, and all necessary officers, and shall have one common seal, and the same may break, change and renew at pleasure; and, as a body politic and corporate, by the name aforesaid, may sue and be sued, and prosecute and defend suits, both in law and equity, to final judgment and execution.

SEC. 3. The said Society shall have power to make all orders and by-laws for governing its members and property, not repugnant to the laws of this State; and may expel, disfranchise, or suspend any member, who, by his misconduct, shall be rendered unworthy, or who shall neglect or refuse to observe the rules and by-laws of this Society.

SEC. 4. The said Society may, from time to time, establish rules for electing officers and members, and also times and places for holding meetings; and is hereby

empowered to take and hold real or personal estate, by gift, grant, devise, or purchase, or otherwise, and the same, or any part thereof, to alien and convey.

SEC. 5. The said Society shall have power to elect corresponding and honorary members thereof, in the various parts of this State and of the several United States, and also in foreign countries, at their discretion: *Provided*, however, that the number of resident members of said Society shall never exceed sixty; and William H. Brown, or any other person named in this act, is hereby authorized and empowered to notify and call together the first meeting of said Society; and the same Society, when met, shall agree upon a method for calling further meetings, and may have power to adjourn from time to time, as may be found necessary.

SEC. 6. Members of the Legislature of this State, in either branch, and Judges of the Supreme Court, and officers of State, shall and may have free access to said Society's library and cabinet.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, February 7, 1857.

AN ACT TO AMEND AN ACT ENTITLED
AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY,
APPROVED FEBRUARY 7, 1857.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly,* That section five (5) of the act, to which this is an amendment, be so amended that said Society shall have power to increase the number of its resident members, from time to time, to any number that shall by it be deemed expedient.

SEC. 2. The said Society shall have power to borrow money and mortgage its real estate to secure the same, to an amount not exceeding twenty thousand dollars, to be used in completing and paying for the buildings now in process of erection on the real estate of said Society. And the real estate and property of said Society shall be exempt from taxation.

SEC. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved, January 30, 1867.

CONSTITUTION.

Adopted, 1856.

Revised, November 29, 1870.

Amended, January 16, 1883.

Revised, November 21, 1893.

Amended, November 20, 1906.

ARTICLE I.

NAME AND OBJECTS.

This Society shall be called the CHICAGO HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

Its object shall be to institute and encourage historical inquiry, to collect and preserve the materials of history, and to spread historical information, especially concerning the Northwestern States.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP.

SECTION 1. This Society shall be composed of Honorary Life, Life, Annual, Honorary, and Corresponding members, all of whom shall be elected by ballot only at a regular meeting of the Society, and only upon the recommendation of the Executive Committee, unless, by unanimous consent, they shall be elected by a *viva-voce* vote cast at a regular meeting by twelve legally-qualified voters. Three adverse ballots or three dissenting votes shall reject the candidate.

SEC. 2. The dues for membership shall be as follows: For Life-Membership, five hundred dollars payable in money, or by services rendered or donations made, and publicly declared by resolution of the Executive Committee to exceed that amount in value to the Society: and for Annual Membership, twenty-five dollars per annum, the dues for the first fiscal year being payable within one month after election to membership and notice of such election; *provided*, that when such election shall occur after January first, the dues for the balance of said fiscal year shall be for the proportionate part of the twenty-five dollars, and payable within thirty days after such election and notice.

Persons who have heretofore made, or shall hereafter make, voluntary contribution of one thousand dollars or more to the Society's funds, or donations publicly declared by resolution of the Executive Committee to be of that value to the Society's collections, may be elected Honorary Life Members, upon recommendation of the Executive Committee.

The President and Secretary shall issue a Diploma, under seal of the Society, and certifying the class of membership, to each member elected, upon payment of the dues.

SEC. 3. The right to hold office and vote, and to take any part in the proceedings of the Society, shall be accorded to and may be exercised only by the members of the three classes first hereinbefore named.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The officers of the Society shall consist of a President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, and an Executive Committee, consisting of the President of the Society, *ex-officio*, who shall be the chairman thereof, and eight others, all of which aforesaid officers shall be members of the Society, and also a Treasurer, a Librarian, and a Secretary.

SEC. 2. The President and Vice-Presidents shall be elected by ballot at the annual meetings for one year, and shall respectively remain in office until the election of their successors.

They shall perform such duties as are common to such officers or as may be prescribed in the By-Laws. Vacancies occurring from any cause in any of these offices may be filled by ballot at any special meeting, notice of such election being given in the notice of such meeting.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall be chosen by ballot at the annual meetings, two members of which shall, from the time of the first election hereunder, hold their office until the next annual election of officers; two of them until the second such election; two of them until the third such election; and two of them until the fourth such election. The terms for which the first members so chosen at the first election shall hold their office, shall be determined by lot immediately after such election.

SEC. 4. At each annual meeting thereafter there shall be elected by ballot two persons to fill the places vacant by the expiration of the term of those heretofore elected as members of the Executive Committee, and of those who shall hereafter be elected such members.

On the expiration of the term of any of the members of said committee, their successors shall be elected by ballot for the term of four years.

Vacancies in the Executive Committee during an unexpired term, caused by death, resignation, removal from office, or inability to act, may be filled by a majority of the remaining members of said committee, until the succeeding annual election, at which time such vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner as members of said committee are elected for the full term of their office.

SEC. 5. The Executive Committee, constituted above, shall alone hold, manage, administer, and control all the money, property, effects, and affairs of the Society: and said committee may appoint a Treasurer, a Librarian, a Secretary, and such assistants and employes in the service of the Society as to said committee may seem fit; and may prescribe the duties and fix the compensation of such officers, assistants and employes; and said committee may make investments of the Society's funds, *provided* that no fund bequeathed to or held by the Society for a specific purpose shall be appropriated to or used for any other purpose, and *provided* further that said committee shall not incur any liability on the part of said Society in any one year which shall exceed its annual income; and it shall be the duty of said committee to make an annual report to the Society of all its acts and doings.

ARTICLE IV. MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting for the election of officers and the transaction of other business relating to the affairs of the Society shall be held on the third Tuesday of November in each year, and the fiscal year of the Society shall begin with the first day of November in each year and end with the thirty-first day of the following October.

Sec. 2. The regular meetings shall be held at such times and conducted in such manner as shall be pre-

scribed in the By-Laws and directed by the Executive Committee, provided no such regular meeting shall occur at the same time with the annual meeting.

SEC. 3. At the annual meetings not less than twelve members having the right to vote, and at the special business meetings not less than seven such members shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 4. Special meetings and special business meetings may be called by the President, or, in case of his absence, by one of the Vice-Presidents, of which due notice shall be given at least two days beforehand.

ARTICLE V.

AMENDMENTS.

This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-third vote at any annual or special meeting; *provided* that a printed or written copy of the proposed alterations or amendments shall have accompanied the notice of the meeting at which they shall be acted upon; and *provided further* that not less than twelve members having the right to vote shall be present when such vote is taken.

BY-LAWS.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. I. SECTION 1. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Executive Committee, and call such special meetings and special business meetings as he may deem necessary, or as he may, in writing, be requested to call by five members of the Society.

SEC. 2. The Vice-Presidents in the order of their seniority, shall perform the duties of the President in the case of the absence of the President from the meetings of the Society or from Chicago.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee may adopt such rules for their own action not in conflict with the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society, as they may find most convenient and necessary.

SEC. 4. All nominations to membership shall be submitted to the Executive Committee, and reported upon by them to the Society.

MEETINGS.

ART. II. SECTION 1. The regular meetings of the Society shall be held on the third Tuesday of each of the following named months, to-wit: January, April and October.

SEC. 2. The annual meeting shall be held on the third Tuesday of November, the precise hour in the case of this and all other meetings of the Society being designated by the President and stated in the notice of the meeting.

SEC. 3. The exercises of the regular and special meetings of the Society shall be under the direction of the Executive Committee, and in general conformity with the objects of the Society.

SEC. 4. The order of business at the special business meetings of the Society shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of the next preceding business meeting.
2. Reports of Officers.
3. Reports of Committees.
4. Election of new members.
5. Deferred business.
6. New business.

SEC. 5. The order of business at the annual meeting of the Society shall be as follows:

1. Reading the minutes of the next preceding meeting.
2. Reports of Officers.
3. Reports of Committees and Trustees.
4. Election of new members.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Deferred business.
7. New business.

MEMBERSHIP.

ART. III. SECTION 1. The dues of the annual members of the Society shall be payable annually in advance on the third Tuesday of November in each year.

SEC. 2. Should the dues of any member remain unpaid for the space of one month, the Executive Committee shall notify him in writing, that unless his dues are paid within one month from the date of such notice his membership shall cease, and unless such dues are paid

pursuant to such notice, or such default is accounted for to the satisfaction of the Executive Committee, such person shall thereupon cease to be a member of the Society.

SUSPENSION AND AMENDMENTS.

ART. IV. The By-Laws in whole or in part may be suspended during any special business or annual meeting, by vote of a majority of the members present at any such meeting. The By-Laws may be amended on the same conditions prescribed for amending the Constitution.

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 15, 1910

The fifty-fourth annual meeting of the Chicago Historical Society was held in the Reading-Room of the Society's building at eight o'clock on the evening of Tuesday, November 15, 1910, pursuant to notice given, as provided by its Constitution.

There was on exhibition the unique Collection of Lewis and Clark literature, presented to the Society during the year by Mr. Charles H. Conover. This Collection of books on the expedition so momentous for the development of the United States has been accorded an interesting description in the Librarian's Report. The year's work of the Society was also marked by the publication of President Polk's Diary, in a set of four volumes, issued in a style worthy of the subject. This publication, reviewed with much praise by the journals and newspapers of the country, has been furnished to all the regular members of the Society and has been put on the book market to meet the demand of libraries and students.

The Reports of the Officers of the Society are presented herewith. In them is given a complete account of the work done by the Society during the past year with some detail, in the hope that its perusal will have something of interest to the reader and possibly enlist action for the betterment of the Society, by personal work, gift or remembrance of the Society in thought and conversation. Although there is steady growth in the departments of Museum, Library, Publication and so on, nevertheless the Executive Committee feels more than any one else the absolute necessity of the personal co-operation of all the members for the ac-

complishment of the purposes of the Society as formulated by the Incorporators over fifty years ago.

The Society was called to order by PRESIDENT HEAD at half past eight; DR. SCHMIDT was appointed Secretary of the meeting.

The following members were present: CLARENCE A. BURLEY, CHARLES EDWARD CHENEY, NATHAN S. DAVIS, THOMAS DENT, GEORGE H. FERGUS, LUCIUS J. FISHER, JULIUS FRANKEL, WILLIAM A. FULLER, CHARLES F. GUNTHER, CHALKLEY JAY HAMBLETON, HENRY E. HAMILTON, FRANKLIN H. HEAD, SEYMOUR MORRIS, WALTER C. NEWBERRY, JAMES H. ROBERTS, FRED M. SCHMIDT, OTTO L. SCHMIDT, RICHARD E. SCHMIDT, JAMES S. STONE; also the Librarian.

The first order of business being the reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting, MR. BURLEY moved, seconded by MR. GUNTHER, that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with, as the proceedings had been published in the 1909 Year-Book and distributed among the members; there being no objection, it was so ordered by THE PRESIDENT.

The next order of business was Reports of Officers, the originals of which were on the Secretary's table; they had been printed in pamphlet form and were distributed to the members present.

The Secretary of the Meeting then presented the Executive Committee's Report, as follows:

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1910.

To the Members of the Chicago Historical Society :

GENTLEMEN :—The Executive Committee, in conformity with the Society's Constitution, has the honor to submit its Annual Report as follows:

FUNDS.

During the year the Society's funds have been increased by two additions, accruing from the sale of the James Madison and James K. Polk papers to the United States Government for the Library of Congress, for the aggregate sum of \$13,500, in cash. This amount by resolutions of the Executive Committee has been apportioned to and now constitutes the Marshall Field Fund of \$10,000, and the Polk Diary Fund of \$3,500.

The Society's funds now consist of twelve special funds and a general fund.

THE HENRY D. GILPIN FUND (\$67,218.90, as per their report) is under the exclusive care and management of trustees appointed under the will of HENRY D. GILPIN. The income from this fund, as paid to the Society by said trustees, is applied entirely to the maintenance of the Gilpin Library. The present trustees are EUGENE H. FISHBURN, CLARENCE A. BURLEY and WALTER L. FISHER, and the President and First Vice-President of the Society, *ex officiis*. A full statement of the fund is given in the report of these trustees, presented herewith on page 305. The late Erskine M. Phelps was the other trustee at the time of his death.

THE JONATHAN BURR FUND consists of a legacy of \$2,000 from the late Jonathan Burr, the income to be used

in payment of printing the Society's publications. It is invested in a cottage and twenty-one lots in the Town of Calumet, acquired in settlement of a note secured by trust deed on said lots. Necessary repairs on the cottage and taxes on the property have been advanced out of the General Fund and these are in part still due that fund. The account stands as follows:

Balance due General Fund, Oct. 31, 1909.	\$33.12	
Paid General Fund (rebate on taxes)....		\$ 1.74
Advanced by General Fund, taxes, 1910..	17.37	
Balance due General Fund, Oct. 31, 1910.		48.75
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	\$50.49	\$50.49

THE PHILO CARPENTER FUND consists of a legacy of \$1,000 from the late Philo Carpenter, the income to be devoted to binding books and periodicals. It is invested in a \$1,000 five per cent bond of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The account stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909..	\$126.81	
Received interest on bonds.....	50.00	
Paid into General Fund on account binding		\$107.84
Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1910..		68.97
	_____	_____
	\$176.81	\$176.81

THE MARSHALL FIELD FUND consists of \$10,000, being the proceeds of the sale to the United States Government for the Library of Congress, of the eleven volumes of papers of President James Madison, which were purchased by Mr. Edward G. Mason in 1893 for the Society, with funds donated for that purpose by Mr. Marshall Field. By resolution of the Executive Committee it was voted that this fund should remain intact and the income therefrom be used toward defraying the expenses of editing, printing and distributing the Society's publications. Five thousand dollars of this Fund is invested in five \$1,000 Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Company's General four per cent bonds. The balance, to-wit: \$5,010.33 is in the hands of the Chairman of the Finance Committee awaiting the delivery of securities already purchased by that Committee. The account of this fund stands as follows:

Received from United States Government	\$10,000.00
Paid for Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Bonds	\$ 4,989.67
Paid Finance Committee for investment	5,010.33

	\$10,000.00 \$10,000.00

Since the rendering of this account the Chairman of the Finance Committee has delivered to the Treasurer five (5) \$1.000 Chicago, Burlington and Quincy four per cent bonds.

THE T. MAURO GARRETT FUND consists of \$1,000 bequeathed to the Society by the late T. Mauro Garrett, and is invested in a \$1,000 five per cent bond of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The account stands as follows:

Received interest on bonds.....	\$50.00
Paid into General Fund.....	\$50.00

THE HUNTINGTON WOLCOTT JACKSON FUND is a bequest of \$1,000 from the late Huntington W. Jackson. It is invested in a \$1,000 five per cent bond of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The following statement shows the condition of the fund:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909.	\$106.14
Received interest on bonds.....	50.00
Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1910.	\$156.14

	\$156.14 \$156.14

THE POLK DIARY FUND of \$3,500 was created out of the proceeds of the sale to the United States Government for the Library of Congress, of the twenty-four volumes of diary and the letters and papers of President James K. Polk purchased by the Society in 1901 with funds collected for that purpose. By order of the Executive Committee it has been set aside, the income to be used for defraying the expenses of editing, publishing and distributing the Society's publications, *provided* that such money as shall be necessary may be advanced towards the expenses of the publication of the Polk Diary, such advances to be repaid into the fund as promptly as possible out of the proceeds and profits of sales

of said Diary. The fund consists of \$3,500, the original purchase price paid by the Society for the Polk manuscripts. The account stands as follows:

Received from United States Government	\$3,500.00
Paid General Fund on account publication Polk Diary	\$1,500.00
Paid the Chairman Publication Committee to meet the liabilities incurred by the Committee.....	2,000.00

	\$3,500.00 \$3,500.00

THE LUCRETIA POND FUND, being the proceeds of a bequest of real estate to the Society by Lucretia Pond, consists of a principal of \$13,500, the income to be used in the purchase of books, pamphlets and documents or pictures and paintings of historical interest. The fund is now invested in:

Four \$1,000 four and one-half per cent South Side Elevated Railway Company's bonds.

Eight \$1,000 five per cent People's Gas Light and Coke Company's Refunding bonds.

One \$500 four per cent Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Company's bond.

One \$1,000 four per cent first mortgage Metropolitan Elevated West Side Railway Company's bond.

The account of this fund stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909	\$1,007.13
Received interest on bonds.....	640.00

	\$1,647.13
Paid General Fund on account books purchased	\$215.00
Paid for books and periodicals.....	61.46

	\$276.46
Available balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1910	\$1,370.67

THE ELIZABETH HAMMOND STICKNEY FUND consists of \$5,000 bequeathed to the Society by the late Elizabeth Hammond Stickney, as a memorial to her husband, Edward Swan Stickney, the income to be used in maintaining the Stickney

Library and making additions thereto. It is invested in five \$1,000 general mortgage, four per cent bonds of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Company. The account of this fund stands as follows:

Available balance on hand, Oct. 31,

1909	\$832.80
Received interest on bonds.....	200.00

Paid for Miami Dictionary.....	25.00
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Available balance on hand, Oct. 31,	_____
1910	\$1,007.80

THE LUCRETIA J. TILTON FUND consists of \$3,000, bequeathed to the Society by the late Lucretia Jane Tilton, as a memorial to her husband, Lucian J. Tilton. It is invested in three \$1,000 five per cent bonds of the Chicago City Railway Company. The account stands as follows:

Received interest on bonds.....	\$150.00
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Paid into General Fund.....	\$150.00

THE ELIAS T. WATKINS FUND consists of \$5,000 bequeathed to the Society by the late Elias T. Watkins. The full amount is invested in five \$1,000 five per cent bonds of the Commonwealth Electric Company. The account stands as follows:

Received interest on bonds.....	\$250.00
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Paid into General Fund.....	\$250.00

THE HENRY J. WILLING FUND consists of \$2,500 bequeathed to the Society by the late Henry Jenkens Willing. The full amount is invested in two \$1,000 City of Mobile, Alabama, four and one-half per cent bonds, and one \$500 four per cent bond of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fé Railroad Company. The following account shows the condition of this fund:

Received interest on bonds.....	\$110.00
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Paid into General Fund.....	\$110.00

THE GENERAL FUND, from which the general expenditures of the Society are made, is derived principally from the annual dues of members, together with such gifts as are made from time to time without special restrictions. The account of this fund stands as follows:

GENERAL FUND.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand, Oct. 31, 1909.....	\$ 1,021.41
Dues from Annual Members.....	4,453.00
Trustees of Gilpin Fund.....	2,100.00
Donations	126.71
Received from Burr Fund.....	1.74
Received from Carpenter Fund.....	107.84
Received from Garrett, Tilton, Wat-	
kins and Willing Funds.....	560.00
Received from Polk Diary Fund.....	1,500.00
Received from United States Govern-	
ment for Madison and Polk Papers.	13,500.00
Received from Pond Fund for books..	215.00
Received for Society's publications....	75.17
Interest and other sources.....	172.20
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	\$23,833.07

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries	\$ 4,038.75
Repairs and betterments.....	430.83
Printing proceedings, invitations, etc..	690.20
Taxes advanced, Burr Fund.....	17.37
Paid for binding and repairs on books.	107.84
Paid for books and periodicals.....	215.00
Paid on account publishing Polk Diary.	1,500.00
Paid Marshall Field Fund.....	10,000.00
Paid Polk Diary Fund.....	3,500.00
General Expenses	1,691.86
Cash on hand, Oct. 31, 1910.....	1,641.22
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	\$23,833.07

TRIAL BALANCE.

OCTOBER 31, 1910.

	Dr.	Cr.
General Fund		\$227,641.22
Jonathan Burr Fund.....		2,000.00
Philo Carpenter Fund.....		1,068.97
Marshall Field Fund.....		10,000.00
T. Mauro Garrett Fund.....		1,000.00
Henry D. Gilpin Fund.....		67,218.90
Huntington W. Jackson Fund.....		1,156.14
Lucretia Pond Fund.....		14,870.67
Elizabeth H. Stickney Fund.....		6,007.80
Lucretia J. Tilton Fund.....		3,000.00
Elias T. Watkins Fund.....		5,000.00
Henry J. Willing Fund.....		2,500.00
Bills Receivable.....	\$ 1,000.00	
Bonds	42,000.00	
*Real Estate	227,000.00	
Trustees Henry D. Gilpin Fund....	67,218.90	
Cash	4,244.80	
		<hr/> \$341,463.70
		\$341,463.70

*Society's Building and Land.....	\$225,000.00
Burr Fund Lots.....	2,000.00

DIGEST OF TRIAL BALANCE.

FUND	Cash	Bills Rec'bl	Bonds	Real Estate	Trustees Gilpin Fund	TOTALS
General	\$1,641.22	\$1,000		\$225,000		\$227,641.22
Jonathan Burr.....				2,000		2,000.00
Philo Carpenter.....	68.97		\$ 1,000			1,068.97
Marshall Field			10,000			10,000.00
T. Mauro Garrett.....			1,000			1,000.00
Henry D. Gilpin.....					\$67,218.90	67,218.90
Huntington W. Jackson	156.14		1,000			1,156.14
Lucretia Pond.....	1,370.67		13,500			14,870.67
Elizabeth H. Stickney..	1,007.80		5,000			6,007.80
Lucretia J. Tilton.....			3,000			3,000.00
Elias T. Watkins.....			5,000			5,000.00
Henry J. Willing.....			2,500			2,500.00
Totals.....	\$4,244.80	\$1,000	\$42,000	\$227,000	\$67,218.90	\$341,463.70

The Treasurer's Report is appended, and appears on pages 306-307.

NOVEMBER 10, 1910.

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Chicago Historical Society and of Orson Smith, its Treasurer, for the year ending October 31, 1910, the vouchers for every disbursement, and the securities in the custody of the Treasurer, and that we find the same correct and as reported.

WALTER C. NEWBERRY,
CHARLES F. GUNTHER,
Auditing Committee.

The Executive Committee feels that it may congratulate the Society upon the achievements of the fiscal year just ended. The Reports printed herewith give in much detail the results of the work accomplished in the several departments of the Society's field of labors, and the Committee commends to the members a thorough reading of the Year-Book for the year 1910. It should arouse their pride by reason of their Society's position and rank, which is yearly becoming more widely known, more fully recognized and more highly exalted in the nation's institutions of learning and of letters. The acquisition of the "Conover Collection" donated to us through the generosity and loyalty of one of our members makes the Society the owner of the most complete library in existence of the Lewis and Clark travels, representing years of work by a zealous collector, and constituting an unique and priceless treasure of which the world may well envy us.

The publication of the Polk Diary in four beautiful volumes has elicited flattering eulogies of the Society's valuable contribution to the materials of history from the highest of the country's literary critics and scholarly publications. The Librarian's Report illustrates these facts and elaborates them with commendable detail, and the Executive Committee hopes that that Report may prove to the members what the Society, its work, and its Library stand for in this community and in the intellectual world.

The accession of forty-six annual members to the Society's ranks proves that the appeals of the Executive Committee, reiterated year after year, have not been in vain. Many of these are scions of early Chicago families, one of them a descendant of the Ogdens, who furnished Chicago its first Mayor, and still others who have shown that the

newer families also have a pride in the city's past as well as in its present and its future.

The "priceless heritage" mentioned in our Annual Report for last year as bequeathed to their descendants by the founders of this Society, has been recognized by the present generation, one of whom, in accepting membership, said "noblesse oblige!" May this praiseworthy sentiment possess hundreds of our citizens, both men and women, and inspire them to join our ranks, adding to our effectiveness and enabling us to carry on, in still greater measure, the important work entrusted to us and imposed upon us by the fathers.

In this connection the Executive Committee desires to express and record its grateful appreciation of the achievements of the Special Committee on Membership, and to thank them in the name of the Society for their zealous services in its behalf. These gentlemen volunteered their services on this Committee early in the month of March, and in four months brought thirty-six additions to our membership.

For the eighth time in annual succession the Executive Committee takes pleasure in reporting that the Society is *entirely free from debt*; that all of its trust funds are intact and safely invested in interest-bearing securities, and that there is no matured interest in arrears. The Reports of the Treasurer and the Gilpin Trustees, presented herewith, show the condition of the Society's several Endowment Funds. As required by the Society's Constitution, the income from these Funds is being expended only in the several branches of the Society's work for which they were respectively established.

To these Funds there have been added during the year the Marshall Field Fund of \$10,000 and the Polk Diary Fund of \$3,500, as set out in full on pages 264-266 of this Report. It is hoped that large accessions to the Funds may come to the Society through further gifts and bequests from its members, thus enabling it to publish and give to the world much more of the invaluable material contained in the priceless documents and original manuscripts still unpublished in its collections. Such gifts or bequests, if only of one thousand dollars by each member, would in time yield an aggregate of over a quarter of a million dollars, the income from which would enable the Society annually to publish some unique document which would immeas-

urably enhance its prestige as a contributor to the world's historical knowledge, thus bringing it to the front rank among kindred institutions.

The cash balance to the credit of the General Fund as shown by the Trial Balance (page 269) is somewhat larger than at the beginning of the year, owing to the dues paid by new members, and to strict economy on the part of the Executive Committee. The "Repairs and Betterments" included a thorough overhauling of the heating plant and the new decoration of the main vestibule and the Committee's office. The plans of the Committee embrace the renewing of the interior mural decoration of the Main Hall, the Reading Room, the Lecture Hall and the Museum, as soon as the Society has the necessary available funds. This improvement is absolutely imperative since the walls and ceilings have become so discolored, in nine years, as to excite unfavorable comment by visitors. About one thousand dollars (\$1,000) should be expended on this work; the result would be not only vastly to improve the appearance of the building and make it more cleanly and comfortable for the Society's staff, but also to render its collections more attractive and far more helpful to readers and scholars and all persons engaged in serious study and research.

The Executive Committee being in daily touch with the workings of the Society is in a position to realize, more keenly than do the members, the Society's great value to the community, and to appreciate the *far greater value* which it *should* be, and *would* be, if its funds were adequately increased. Its Annual Membership should be at least doubled to augment the Society's income from dues for its proper maintenance, and its endowment should be multiplied many fold, in order that it may extend its usefulness, broaden the field of its labors, and greatly enlarge the sphere of its influence.

The Executive Committee does not hesitate thus to publish and reiterate the fact of the Society's pecuniary needs, nor will it feel justified in ceasing to do so until the necessity has been removed. In the interest of the Society, it therefore again appeals to the members to aid it in at least doubling the membership, and to bear in mind the Society's poverty when making their bequests.

For the generosity of its benefactors proven by their bequests and donations in the past, the Society through its

Executive Committee again records its gratitude. Their help was timely; their gifts were generous; their example is worthy of emulation. Their names are spread upon the Society's records and constitute a Roll of Honor in the city's history. May we not hope that this acknowledgment will inspire their descendants and their successors, unto the third and fourth generation, to follow their example and insure prosperity to the Society, and elevate it to the high place, of which none is more worthy, in the institutions of our city and our country.

MEETINGS.

During the year just closed, the meetings of the Society have been held with accustomed regularity, and historical papers of great value have been read. The product of the year will furnish good material toward continuing the Society's series of Proceedings.

On November 16, 1909, the Annual Meeting of the Society was held in the Reading-Room and is reported in full in the Year-Book for 1909.

On the evening of Tuesday, December 7, 1909, a special meeting was held in the Lecture Hall, at which Mr. Henry Eduard Legler, Librarian of The Chicago Public Library, delivered an illustrated lecture, entitled: "The King of Beaver Island." He gave a very interesting account of the Kingdom founded on Beaver Island in Lake Michigan by James Jesse Strang, an episode of the Mormon invasion of the Northwest Territory and the effort to found "States of Zion" in Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan. Mr. Legler's lecture was the result of personal visits to Beaver Island and interviews with survivors of the old Mormon community, as well as extensive research among the printed records, and forms a valuable contribution to the history of Mormonism. As illustrations Mr. Legler presented upon the screen reproductions of many rare items of Mormoniana, pictures of those prominent in Mormon history, and views of the Community on Beaver Island both in its flourishing condition and its decadence. In the Reading-Room had been arranged an exhibit of manuscripts, different editions of the

Book of Mormon, and pamphlets from the Society's collections; notable among them being the first edition of the Book of Mormon published at Palmyra, N. Y., in 1830, now exceedingly rare, and autograph letters of James J. Strang and Joseph Smith.

On Tuesday evening, January 18, 1910, a special meeting of the Society was held, at which Herman G. James, J. D., delivered an address entitled: "A Study in Illinois Constitutional History"; and a paper by James Alton James, Ph. D., Professor of American History in Northwestern University, was read, entitled: "Indian Diplomacy at the Opening of the Revolution in the West." Dr. H. G. James presented a painstaking and valuable analytical study of the Preamble of the Constitution of Illinois, comparing it with the preambles of the constitutions of the other States of the Union at that time. He carefully considered the boundary clauses of the Constitution of the State of Illinois from the time when James I., in 1609, granted to the London Company the territory now comprised within the State of Illinois, down through the Enabling Act of 1818 when the northern boundary of Illinois was finally settled after long controversy. This paper has been published during the year. Cards of Invitation to the meeting were sent to the Chicago Bar Association. Owing to the absence of Dr. James A. James his paper was read by Mr. Arnold B. Hall.

On the evening of Thursday, February 3, 1910, the Society held a special meeting in the Lecture Hall to hear Professor Hjalmar Rued Holand, of Ephraim, Wisconsin, speak upon "The Oldest Document of American History." Mr. Holand spoke before the German Historical Society upon the same subject last year, but had added much valuable information that he had gleaned since that time. "The Oldest Document" is a Runestone of Scandinavian origin, bearing the date 1362, found in Central Minnesota in 1898. Following this meeting a general discussion as to the authenticity of the inscriptions on the stone was held and many interesting points were brought out.

On the evening of Thursday, March 17, 1910, the Society held a special meeting at which Dr. Charles Bert Reed read chapters from his recently published book: "The First Great Canadian; The Story of Pierre LeMoyne, Sieur D'Iberville, 1661-1706." Dr. Reed gave his audience the

fruits of extensive investigations into the career of Iberville, and reviewed his life from the days of his boyhood as a member of the remarkable LeMoyne family, through all the daring and romantic adventures of his manhood.

On Tuesday evening, April 19, 1910, a special meeting was held in the Lecture Hall, at which Mr. Eaton G. Osman read a paper, on "Starved Rock: A Chapter of Colonial History." Mr. Osman being a native of LaSalle County has had exceptional opportunities for investigating this locality, and, inspired by an interest born of his boyhood adventures and recollections he has made a deep study of the history of the Rock. He carried his audience through the various epochs of its history; Marquette's and Joliet's passing in canoes when on their voyage up the Illinois in 1673; the great LaSalle's selection of this point as the citadel of the colony he proposed to plant in the Illinois Country; the building of Fort St. Louis with the help of his faithful Tonty, as a trading-post and bulwark against the savage Iroquois; the period of Tonty's sway as governor; the decline of the power of the French, and the final abandonment of Starved Rock as a stronghold; its temporary lapse back to barbarism; its years of peace as the sentinel of the fertile and prosperous valley of the Illinois; and lastly the efforts of loyal Illinoisians to have it set aside as a State Park, and the appointment of a Commission by the Governor of the State to negotiate the purchase of the site. Several have expressed the hope that Mr. Osman's paper may soon be published. For this meeting a special exhibit had been arranged in the Reading-Room, embracing a letter written by LaSalle to his followers at the Rock, dated "Chicago, September 1, 1683," one of the Society's choicest possessions; Indian arrow heads picked up on the site of Fort St. Louis, and early editions of LaSalle, Hennepin and Tonty.

On the evening of Tuesday, May 24, 1910, a pleasing and interesting innovation took the place of the usual formal meeting, when the Commercial Club joined the Society in a Chicago program. Mr. Frederick Francis Cook, Secretary of the United Charities of New York City, delivered the address of the evening: "Chicago: A Retrospect and a Prophecy," illustrated with stereopticon views. Upon this occasion, Mr. Jules Lumbard, the venerable singer of Civil

War days, was the guest of honor and favored the audience by singing "The Battle Cry of Freedom" and other songs that he used to sing when he toured the country imparting courage to all who heard him during the dark days of the war. For the younger ones present who knew Mr. Lombard only by hearsay it was an event to see and hear him; and to the older ones it recalled many cherished memories. Mr. Cook, the author of "Bygone Days in Chicago," recently published, was a young reporter for the Chicago Times in the 60's and, on account of his intimate association with the events of that time, was well qualified to tell of the Chicago of that day. His "Retrospect" of Chicago was illustrated with views of buildings, residences and localities before the Fire, and his "Prophecy" with the slides made from the Commercial Club and Chicago Plan Commission's views of the Chicago Beautiful of the future, loaned for the occasion by these associations. In the Reading-Room were assembled "The Ivy Green Series of Early Chicago Views" by Mr. William H. Gale, the Palmatary Map of Chicago in 1857, and an exhibit of programs and invitations antedating the Fire. After the exercises an informal reception was tendered Mr. Cook.

Several times during the year the Executive Committee has extended the courtesy of the Society's Building to other societies, by whom the following meetings have been held.

On the evening of February 24, 1910, the Cook County Real Estate Board held a meeting in the rooms of this Society to which the Society's members were invited. The address of the evening was by Mr. Samuel Sewell Greeley, a member of the Society, the title being "The Evolution of a City." Mr. Greeley from his sixty years' residence and active life in Chicago, and his intimacy as a surveyor with the changes that have taken place here, was better qualified perhaps than any other person to speak upon the subject. He reviewed the successive changes from the time of the first Fort Dearborn, touching upon the early roads into Chicago and their evolution into thriving business streets; the changes made in the contour of the river and the controversies arising out of them; his recollection of Abraham Lincoln in the celebrated case involving a sand bar title, surveys of which Mr. Greeley had made and in which case he

had appeared as a witness; the coming of railroads and the growth of industries following fast upon them; the financial difficulties of the latter 50's and their effect on the young city; the period of rapid growth down to the greatness of the Chicago of today. Mr. Greeley's paper has been deposited with the Society and will be of great interest and value to future historians of this city.

On the evening of Saturday, June 4, 1910, a meeting was held under the auspices of the Hiram W. Thomas Memorial Association on the occasion of their presentation to this Society of a marble bust of Dr. Hiram Washington Thomas, by Adelaide Johnson of Washington, D. C. The address of the evening was by Professor John F. Eberhart, one-time preceptor and a life-long friend of Dr. Thomas, who from his intimate association with him and insight into his character, gave a pleasing and valuable estimation of him. This was followed by brief remarks by Mr. James B. Smiley, who reviewed Dr. Thomas' life from the standpoint of intellectual attainment, and by Mrs. Thomas who was prevailed upon to say a few words upon the home life of her husband.

On Thursday evening, June 9, 1910, the Kinzie School Alumni Association held a meeting in the Lecture Hall of the Society's Building, at which Carroll Storrs Alden, Ph. D., Instructor in English at the United States Naval Academy, delivered an illustrated lecture, entitled: "On the Borderland of Arcadia: Narrative of a Trip through Greece in 1908." Dr. Alden gave in this lecture the fruits of his personal experiences and observations, illustrated by photographs which he himself had taken while touring Greece.

On the afternoon of Saturday, October 8, 1910, the Chicago Press League held a meeting in the Society's Building in commemoration of "Chicago Day," the legend chosen for the program being "Wise was the choice which led our sires To kindle here their household fires." The program consisted of music and recollections of earlier Chicago.

MEMBERSHIP.

It is particularly gratifying to the Executive Committee to report that the past year marks a much desired increase in the Society's Membership. The removal by death of many whose association has meant strength for the Society reminds us once more that only as accessions to our roll are secured, especially from the younger elements in the city's life, can our usefulness be maintained, and the purposes for which the Society was founded, be fostered. Continued effort must be made to accomplish this result. While the Executive Committee feel keenly the need of a larger membership they acknowledge with gratitude the fidelity and interest of the present members who are carrying on its affairs, and whose efforts have made possible its present attainments. The thanks of the Society and of the Executive Committee are especially due the Membership Committee, Messrs. Burley, Conover, Merryweather, Morris, Porter, Scott and Willing, who have been untiring in their labors to secure new members and with the result shown below.

During the fiscal year there have been added to the Society's roll, including those elected this evening, forty-six Annual and nine Corresponding Members, as follows:

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

BENJAMIN ALLEN
CYRUS BENTLEY
SAMUEL EUGENE BLISS
EUGENE JACKSON BUFFINGTON
WILLIAM H. BUSH
EDWARD BURGESS BUTLER
EDWARD FRANCIS CARRY
HELEN LESLIE CARTER
STEWART CLARK
SAMUEL J. CLARKE
DANIEL FRANCIS CRILLY
CHARLES G. DAWES
JOSEPH HOLTON DEFREES
BERNARD A. ECKHART
STANLEY FIELD
DAVID ROBERTSON FORGAN
JAMES BERWICK FORGAN

ROBERT FORSYTHE
CHARLES MORGAN HEWITT
WILLIAM GOLD HIBBARD, JR.
MARVIN HUGHITT
FRANK G. LOGAN
FRANK ROSWELL McMULLIN
ALBERT F. MADLENER
GEORGE MANIERRE
DARIUS MILLER
JOHN STOCKER MILLER
JOHN R. MORRON
POTTER PALMER, JR.
JOHN BARTON PAYNE
KATE TYRELL PECK
PAUL CHRISTIAN PETERSON
GEORGE FRENCH PORTER
JULIUS ROSENWALD
EDWARD PERRY RUSSELL
JOSEPH SCHAFFNER
ROBERT LINDSAY SCOTT
JAMES SIMPSON
ANNA RICE SMITH
ALBERT ARNOLD SPRAGUE, 2ND
JAMES SAMUEL STONE
BERNARD EDWARD SUNNY
CHARLES HALLETT THORNE
ANNA SHELDON OGDEN WEST
JOHN P. WILSON, JR.
HENRY MILTON WOLF

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

FRANK GORDON BEAUBIEN
JOHN WATERBURY CLINTON
FREDERICK FRANCIS COOK
MARSHALL MARTIN DUTTON
CLARENCE SUMNER PAINE
CHARLES BERT REED
ALBERT FREDERICK SCHARF
PHILIP C. SCHUPP
PAUL SELBY

During the year nine Annual Members have resigned, two have been dropped for non-payment of dues. Two Honorary Life, one Life, five Annual, one Honorary and one Corresponding Member have died, and one Corresponding Member has been transferred to Annual Membership, leaving the summary of the present membership as follows:

Honorary Life Members.....	14
Life Members	17
Annual Members	209
Honorary Members	10
Corresponding Members	118

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Death has exacted its toll, and has taken from us some members to whom the Society was largely indebted, among them the Society's Second Vice-President, Honorable Lambert Tree, and Erskine Mason Phelps, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Gilpin Fund of the Society.

LAMBERT TREE, Second Vice-President of the Society, an Annual Member since 1881, and an Honorary Life Member since 1907, died in New York City, Sunday, October 9, 1910. He was born in Washington, D. C., November 29, 1832, of colonial and revolutionary stock, both his grandparents having taken an active part in the war of independence. He received a classical education, read law in the office of James M. Carlisle, at that time a leader at the bar of the national capital, later entering the University of Virginia, where he received the degree of Doctor of Laws in 1855. During the same year he was admitted to the bar at Washington, removed to Chicago and began the practice of his profession. His rise at the bar was rapid, in 1864 he became president of the Chicago Law Institute. In 1870 he was elected Judge of the Cook County Circuit Court to fill an unexpired term, being re-elected at the expiration of that term. One of the first official acts of Judge Tree was the instruction of the grand jury to investigate charges of malfeasance in office against members of the city council. Numerous indictments followed, with the result of a salutary effect upon the administration of municipal affairs. Judge Tree was a resident of Chicago at the time of the Fire and from his pen we have so graphic a

description of that great catastrophe that it would form a monograph by itself. In 1875, he resigned his judgeship and spent several years in Europe. Before his return in 1878, he was made the Democratic nominee of the Fourth District for Congress and after a spirited contest was defeated by John A. Logan. In 1882 he was again chosen and defeated by George E. Adams. In 1884 he was elected delegate-at-large from Illinois to the Democratic National Convention which nominated Grover Cleveland for the Presidency. The following year he was appointed United States Minister to Belgium. In the course of his official duty he represented the United States in many important Congresses, notably the International Congress for the Reform of Maritime and Commercial Law, held at Brussels in 1888, at which time he won universal respect for the manner in which he handled his country's interests. In September, 1888, he was appointed Minister to Russia, but resigned in 1889 to retire to private life. Since that time he has devoted his time to his private business and spent much time in travel. Judge Tree was a patron of art and history, having been a Trustee of the Art Institute and the donor of two historic bronze statues at Lincoln Park: one of LaSalle, the work of Count de Lalaign, an eminent Belgian sculptor, which he gave to the City in 1889, and the other of a Sioux Indian, entitled: "A Signal of Peace," known as one of the greatest pieces of American sculpture. Judge Tree served many interests, an incorporator and active worker in the American Red Cross Society, a life trustee of the Newberry Library, a member of the Illinois State Historical Society, Second Vice-President of this Society, he gave much of his time for the public good. In addition to these, he was a director of the Merchants' Loan and Trust Company, the Chicago Edison Company, a member of the Iroquois, Chicago and Union League Clubs of Chicago, of the Union Club of New York, the Metropolitan Club of Washington, D. C., and an officer of the Legion of Honor of France. His going from us is a distinct loss to the community, which he touched at many points and served with conspicuous fidelity, zeal and distinction. He contributed to the fund for the erection of the Society's present building, and remembered the Society in his will, bequeathing to it many interesting and valuable selections from his library. The President, the First Vice-President, the members of the Executive Committee, and the Treasurer were

appointed as a delegation from the Society to attend the funeral of Judge Tree, which was held at his residence, corner of Cass and Ontario streets, October 13, 1910. The Society's building was closed during the funeral.

ERSKINE MASON PHELPS, Annual Member since 1880, was born in Stonington, Connecticut, on March 31, 1839, the son of Charles H. and Ann R. Hammond Phelps. Mr. Phelps was educated at Williston Seminary, East Hampton, Massachusetts. After completing his studies he went into the banking house of Allen, Copp and Nesdith of St. Louis, but on account of failing health returned east and located in Boston where he remained two years. In 1864, he came to Chicago and with G. E. P. Dodge established the boot and shoe house which a year later became Phelps, Dodge and Palmer. This firm came safely through the great crisis of the Chicago Fire when their establishment on Wabash Avenue was entirely swept away. Two days later Mr. Phelps had opened up temporary quarters in his home, the business was soon re-established and continued under the same name until 1891, when it was sold to the Edwards-Standwood Shoe Company, in which Mr. Phelps continued as a director. Although known for years as one of Chicago's leading merchants he was equally prominent in politics, though never a seeker for public office. He came into prominence nationally when in 1884, he secured the Democratic National Convention for Chicago. He was prominently talked of for a United States' Senatorship, and in 1888 was a member of the National Democratic Committee and Chairman of the State Democratic Committee. Mr. Phelps in 1881 founded the Iroquois Club as a social organization composed of democrats. He was elected president and held that office for a number of years. He was a member of the World's Columbian Exposition Commission, in the interests of which he took a journey around the world in 1892; one of the founders and for many years president of the board of trustees of Central Church. For years preceding and until his death he was president of Hahneman Hospital, to which he gave generously of his time and money. He served this Society as a Trustee of the Gilpin Fund since 1904, and was always a liberal contributor to the Society's Collections. He was a prominent member of the Chicago, Calumet and Commercial Clubs. Mr. Phelps died at his home in Chicago, May 21, 1910.

HENRY HEDGE PORTER, Annual Member from 1883 to 1907, and Honorary Life Member since that time, died at his residence, corner of Cass and Erie Streets, May 31, 1910. Mr. Porter was born at Machias, Maine, December 7, 1835, the son of Rufus King and Lucy Hedge Porter. He attended the public schools of his native town and the East Machias Academy until sixteen years of age, when with youthful ambition he started out to earn his own living, going to Eastport, Maine, where he served as a clerk in a general store. Shortly after, having determined to try his fortunes in the West, he came to Chicago in 1853, and obtained a position as clerk in the general office of the Galena and Chicago Union Railway, now a part of the Great Northwestern system, but at that time only seventy-five miles long, and the first railroad built to reach Chicago. This was the beginning of a long and active association with western railroads. He remained with this road until 1860, when he was appointed station agent for the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern, later becoming general freight agent, and in 1863, when only twenty-seven years of age, general superintendent. The latter position he held till 1865, and during his incumbency was active in the transportation of troops and supplies to the Union Armies at the front. In 1866 Mr. Porter engaged, with Mr. Jesse Spaulding, in the lumber trade on the upper peninsula of Michigan. He later served on the directory of the Chicago and Rock Island and its successor, the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad for over thirty years. He was also director and general manager of the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad. After the panic of 1873 Mr. Porter, with a group of New York financiers, was active in the rehabilitation of insolvent railroads and in many other enterprises. In 1874 they purchased the West Wisconsin Railroad, then on the verge of bankruptcy, and combining it with several others formed the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha System, of which he became president. Under Mr. Porter's guidance this pioneer railroad of less than 200 miles of track developed into a great system of over 1,300 miles in length. Mr. Porter was identified with the building of the St. Paul and Duluth, the Cleveland, Loraine and Wheeling, and the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroads, and served for many years as director of the Union Pacific. From 1868 to 1891, Mr. Porter was on the directory of the First

National Bank. Other important enterprises with which he was prominently identified were: the laying out of the present stockyards, organization of the Chicago Shipbuilding Company, Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, the Chicago Transfer and Clearing Company, which organization embodied his ideas for the settlement of Chicago's freight problems and in which he maintained an active interest until his death. Mr. Porter was also identified with the steel industry, seeing it pass through many stages: the development of iron ore on the Vermillion and Mesaba ranges; a railroad, the Duluth and Iron Range, to transport it to Lake Superior; a line of steamships to bring it to Chicago; the acquisition of coal mines and coke ovens in Pennsylvania; the consolidation in 1898 into the Federal Steel Company; and the final formation of the United States Steel Corporation in 1901. Mr. Porter maintained an interest in the social as well as the business life of Chicago, being one of the earliest members of the Union, Midday, Saddle and Cycle and Commercial Clubs of this City. Mr. Porter made a generous donation to the fund for erecting the Society's present building, and in other ways materially contributed to its welfare. Two of Mr. Porter's sons have become Annual Members of the Society within a year, thus honoring their father's memory and setting an example that should be followed in many of the city's families.

EZRA JOSEPH WARNER, Annual Member from 1888 to 1907, and Life Member since, died at his summer home in Lake Forest, September 9, 1910. He was descended from two lines of ancestry honored in New England for many generations, being the son of Joseph and Jane Meech Warner of Middlebury, Vermont. He was born at Middlebury, March 8, 1841, and his early education was obtained in the schools and academy of his native town. He prepared for Middlebury College at Kimball Union Academy, Meriden, New Hampshire, and was graduated in 1862, the valedictorian of his class. He came West the same year to take charge of real estate in Wisconsin owned by his father but soon gave it up to come to Chicago, where he entered the employ of Sprague and Stetson. The following year Mr. Warner purchased the interest of Mr. Stetson and became a partner of Mr. A. A. Sprague. Mr. O. S. A. Sprague became associated in the partnership shortly after

and the present firm of Sprague, Warner and Company was organized, one of the leading firms of wholesale grocers, not only in Chicago but in the United States, having a trade extending from coast to coast. The successful management of so vast a business is evidence of Mr. Warner's executive ability and qualifications as a financial manager. Mr. Warner was one of the first Chicagoans to build a summer residence in Lake Forest and has ever since been a public spirited citizen of that town, and for many years has served as a Trustee of Lake Forest University. He was a member of the Chicago and University Clubs.

LEWIS LARNED COBURN, Annual Member since 1877, died at his home, 1819 Michigan Avenue, October 23, 1910, at the age of seventy-five years. He was born at East Montpelier, Vermont, November 2, 1834, being the youngest of five children of Larned and Louisa Allen Coburn. His education was such that it amply fitted him for the prominent position at the bar that he later attained. His early youth was spent working on his father's farm in the summer and in attendance during the winter months at the district school. Later he attended Morrisville and Northfield Academies. He continued his preparation for college at Barre, Vermont, and entered the University of Vermont in the autumn of 1855, graduating after a brilliant course of four years. While at college he read law in the office of Roberts and Chittenden during his spare time and vacations, and after graduation entered the office of Hon. T. P. Reelfield of Montpelier. He then entered the law department of Harvard University and on being graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws was admitted to the bar of Essex County. He determined to adopt the specialty of patent law for which his aptitude for problems of invention and mathematics peculiarly qualified him. With this in view he came to Chicago in the early 60's and progressed in his chosen field to the extent that at the time of his death he stood at the head of his specialty in this city. Upon a visit to his native city in the summer of 1862, he was unanimously elected captain of the newly formed Company C of the Thirteenth Regiment, Vermont Volunteers. He accepted, went to the front and gallantly led his company in many important engagements of the Civil War, among them being the decisive Battle of Gettysburg. He continued

in the service until his term of enlistment had expired, when he was honorably mustered out. Upon his retirement from the army, he resumed his practice in Chicago, and continued the same with marked success and prominence down to the time of his death. Early in his law career he was associated with his old classmate, William E. Marrs, who died in 1868. In 1875 Mr. John M. Thatcher, United States Commissioner of Patents, resigned that office to join Mr. Coburn as partner. Later the firm name became Coburn, McRoberts and McElroy. Mr. Coburn was an early member of this Society, founder of the Union League Club, a governing member of the Art Institute, and held memberships in the Calumet, Union and Onwentsia Clubs, the Chicago Bar and Chicago Patent Law Associations, the Military Order of the Loyal Legion and U. S. Grant Post, No. 28, G. A. R.

CHARLES H. FERRY, who died suddenly of angina pectoris, at Phoenix, Arizona, on the 2nd of May, 1910, was born at Utica, New York, September 1, 1851. He was the son of William H. and Mary Ann Williams Ferry. His father was a State Senator of the State of New York and was very active in the public life of his time. After preparation for college in Montreal, he entered McGill College, and after a short course of study there joined the class of '72 at Yale in the middle of the freshman year. He graduated from Yale and continued for three years a post graduate course in New Haven. He then went to Chicago, to which city his father had removed, studied law, and pursued for a time the practice of his profession. Later on he engaged in manufacturing enterprises in which he continued until the time of his retirement from active business a few years ago, when he removed to New York, residing in that city in the winter and having a summer home at Onteora Park in the Catskills. Funeral services for Mr. Ferry were held at New Haven, Connecticut, on May 9th, 1910.

JAMES NEVINS HYDE, who was elected to Annual Membership in the Society in 1890, was the son of Edward Goodrich and Hannah Hunting Thomas Hyde, and was born in Norwich, Connecticut, the twenty-first of June, 1840. His preliminary training he received at The Phillips Academy, Andover. He graduated from Yale with the

degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1861, the degree of Master of Arts being given him by the same university, four years later. His medical education commenced at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York City; but later, he studied at the University of Pennsylvania, which gave him the degree of M. D. During the Civil War Dr. Hyde served, first as assistant surgeon and afterwards as passed assistant surgeon, in the United States Navy. For his splendid war record and distinguished services in combatting yellow fever, Dr. Hyde, at the close of the war, was ordered to the Ticonderoga, which vessel formed one of Admiral Farragut's fleet in the European cruise. Returning to Washington for duty, he resigned from the navy in 1869 and immediately thereafter took up the practice of medicine in Chicago, where he was active and successful in his profession until his death. From 1873 to 1876 Dr. Hyde served as lecturer on skin diseases in Rush Medical College; from 1876 to 1878, as professor of Dermatology in Northwestern University, and from 1879 until his death, he held the professorship of skin diseases at Rush Medical College, where also he was secretary of the Council of Administration and Faculty. Dr. Hyde was a member of many scientific societies, both in this country and in Europe, and contributed a vast amount of literature in his chosen field. His work on "Diseases of the Skin" has gone through eight editions and has ever occupied the first rank. Dr. Hyde died at his summer home at Prout's Neck, Maine, on September 6, 1910.

MARY HUNT LOOMIS, Annual Member since 1907, died at her home, 1220 Lake Shore Drive, in this city, October 7, 1910. She was the widow of Colonel John Mason Loomis, an Annual Member of the Society from 1889 until his death in 1900. Mrs. Loomis was born in Sherburne, New York, August 15, 1829, the daughter of Honorable Milo Hunt, and was reared and educated in her native town. She was married to John Mason Loomis in 1849 and a few years later came to Chicago to live. At the outbreak of the Civil War she accompanied her husband to the front and acted as the head of a company of Red Cross nurses. Later she served on several committees and was actively engaged in the work of the Soldiers' Home, helping in the care of the sick and wounded soldiers returning

from the War, and in the feeding and lodging of those passing through Chicago on their way to the front. The unostentatious charities of Mrs. Loomis reached out in many directions. She was for many years active in the work of Grace Episcopal Church. In her will she left generous legacies to two of Chicago's important charities for children. Mrs. Loomis' gentle, stately presence has been a factor in Chicago's social life for many years. She was an active member of The Fortnightly.

GOLDWIN SMITH, Honorary Member since 1864, died at his home, The Grange, Toronto, Canada, June 7, 1910. He was born near Reading, Berkshire, England, on August 13, 1823, and his earliest education was obtained at a private school near Bath. Later he was sent to Eaton, where his tutor was Edward Coleridge, nephew of the poet, and with whom he lived while in attendance there. At the age of seventeen he left Eaton, having won distinction in his mastery of the classics. In 1841 he entered Christ Church, Oxford, but was shortly elected to a scholarship at Magdalen, from which he graduated in 1845, again taking high honors in the classics. Among his classmates are numbered such men as Henry Hallam, the historian, J. T. Coleridge, afterwards Chief Justice, and Matthew Arnold, the poet. In 1847 he was elected a fellow of University College, where he acted for sometime as tutor. It was in 1850 that he was appointed Assistant Secretary, Stanley being the Secretary, of a royal commission to investigate into and report on necessary reforms in Oxford University. Of a second similar commission charged with carrying the recommendations of the first into effect, Goldwin Smith was Secretary, and brought about many important changes in the government of that institution. In connection with the work of this commission he was brought into close touch with Wm. E. Gladstone, the latter having charge of the bill effecting these changes in the House of Commons. In 1858 he was appointed Regius Professor of Modern History at Oxford, in which he continued until 1866, when he resigned his post. It was during the latter incumbency that King Edward VII of England, then Prince of Wales, received special instruction and attended the lectures of Goldwin Smith, and it may be that here he was imbued with

the democratic principles that marked him as a monarch in later years. It was during this period of his life that Goldwin Smith began his journalistic career and it is as an author, editor and contributor to journals that he became so widely known. He was a great advocate of humanity; at Cornell may be seen today a motto which he had engraved upon a stone seat on the campus: "Above All Nations is Humanity." During the dark days of the Civil War few did more for the cause of the North than he. It was in 1863 that he brought out his works entitled, "Does the Bible Sanction American Slavery?" and "On the Morality of the Emancipation Proclamation," in which he championed the anti-slavery cause and did much to sway opinion in England, at a time when national sympathy was strongly in favor of the South. The next year he came to this country in a semi-official capacity for the Liberal party in England to inquire into the true state of the war, it not being thoroughly understood there on account of meagre communications between the two countries. A portion of his time here was spent at the front with Grant's army. In 1868 he came to make his permanent home on this side of the Atlantic, feeling as he expresses himself in the preface of his Political History of the United States, that the American Commonwealth was the greatest achievement of this race, and that he had come to participate in its development. Upon coming to America he became Professor of English and constitutional history in Cornell University, which chair he held, residing in Ithaca, until 1871, when he removed to Toronto, Canada, becoming and remaining through life Emeritus Professor of English History at Cornell. As a resident of Toronto, Goldwin Smith took an active interest in the life of that city and was a regular contributor to the press, being the founder and for years sole contributor to the "Bystander." Goldwin Smith's absence from the country of his birth was much deplored by many of its most prominent citizens, and the fact that, with his keen insight and mature judgment the power for good he might have exerted as a leader in national affairs was withheld, was deeply regretted. From 1875 to the time of his death he lived at The Grange, a stately mansion built in 1817. Here he enjoyed thirty-five years of private life among his books.

WILLIAM RICHARD HEAD, Corresponding Member of the Society since 1907, died at his residence, 5471 Jefferson Avenue, Chicago, May 10, 1910, at the age of eighty-one years. He was born in Rye, England, July 13, 1829, the son of William Richard and Charlotte Fry Head, both of old English stock. When thirteen years of age, at the death of his parents, Mr. Head came to America and lived for a period of years at Carlinville, Illinois. He returned to England for a time but in 1850 returned to Carlinville. In 1855, Mr. Head married Miss Martha Neely, daughter of James and Millie Neely, early settlers of Carlinville. Mr. Head began his career as a railroad man and at the beginning of the Civil War was station master at Auburn, Illinois. He later became connected with the Illinois Central Railroad, and was the first traveling auditor of the road; he was later promoted to the office of Central Claim Agent, and at the time of his death was a pensioner of the Illinois Central lines. During the last years of his life at the request of the president of the company, he compiled a history of the Illinois Central Railroad, covering a period of over thirty-five years. Believing with Judge Caton that "the usually accepted history of Chicago is strangely lacking in truth," Mr. Head endeavored to set some of the doubtful points in Chicago's history right, and for several years and up to the time of his death was engaged in preparing a history of early Chicago and Illinois, delving deeply into the records both printed and manuscript and leaving nothing undone to reconcile discrepancies that he found. Although in a large measure a self-educated man, he was a great student. He was deeply interested in the subject of geology, especially the geology of the Mississippi Valley. During his life time he collected a large number of rare specimens, which he carefully catalogued and classified. Mr. Head was personally acquainted with Abraham Lincoln and other prominent men of that day. He was a quiet and unostentatious man, he loved books, he loved nature, he loved little children and he was interested in all movements for the betterment of mankind, he was kindly, sincere and courteous, he did his duty to the best of his understanding and ability, his quiet influence was felt in the community in which he resided and he will long be missed within the radius of his influence. He was a member of the Illinois State Historical Society, the American Society for the Advance of Science, an

original member of the State Natural History Society of Illinois, and during the World's Fair in Chicago in 1893 he was a member of the World's Congress on Geology.

DONATIONS

The accessions to the Society's Collections throughout the year have been constant, and would indicate that the value of the Society as a repository of historical relics and records is being increasingly appreciated by the people of our city. In the Librarian's Report will be found special mention of interesting gifts to the Library, and the List of Donors, pages 374-385, is a tabulated statement of all gifts made during the year.

The following donations are of especial interest:

From the MISSES FREDERIKA and ELIZABETH SKINNER, MR. ELIJAH K. HUBBARD and MR. ORSON SMITH were received donations of twenty-five dollars each toward the general expenses of the Society.

MR. C. F. GUNTHER donated half the purchase price of a large bird's eye map of Chicago drawn by I. T. Palmatary and published by Braunhold & Sonne, Chicago, 1857. Mr. Gunther also presented a framed portrait of General Grant engraved by W. E. Marshall in 1868.

To the generosity of DR. O. L. SCHMIDT the Society is indebted for the placing under plate glass and framing in a substantial manner of the above Palmatary map. The Executive Committee is having it mounted on a specially constructed iron and steel easel which will not only make it readily accessible to the public, but will protect it against injury for all time.

THE HIRAM W. THOMAS MEMORIAL ASSOCIATION presented a marble bust of Dr. Thomas, the work of Adelaide Johnson of Washington, D. C. This forms a companion piece to his contemporary and fellow-worker in the field of religion in Chicago, the Rev. Robert Collyer, who was a member of this Society.

From MR. T. A. O'SHAUGHNESSY was received a cross-section of a large tree taken from the course of the north branch of the Drainage Canal just north of Lawrence Avenue on the east bank. The idea of Mr. O'Shaughnessy in preserving this, is that upon examination by an expert it may serve as an index to the character of the seasons as to the distribution of rainfall and the prevailing winds for many years.

The presentation of a great number of interesting pictures and relics of Abraham Lincoln seems to show a sentiment on the part of many for making this Society the home of a strong Lincoln collection.

DR. O. L. SCHMIDT, who has ever bestowed gifts upon the Society with a lavish hand, has made several interesting additions to the Society's collection of Lincolniana during the past year, among them the following: A handsomely framed lithograph of Hohenstein's "Abraham Lincoln's Last Reception," published by John Smith of Philadelphia in 1865. This is an admirable piece of work as in the group are all the prominent men of Washington at that time, portrayed with photographic exactness. A steel engraving of Lincoln by Samuel Sartain, 1866, a rare colored lithograph in an oval gold frame of Lincoln in 1865, and a photograph from life taken in August, 1860, for Mr. J. Henry Brown, the miniature painter of Philadelphia, who had gone to Springfield to paint a portrait of Lincoln.

From MR. GEORGE H. FERGUS was received a Lincoln memorial badge, being a portrait woven in silk, the work of Gordon Tchopp, Basel, Switzerland, 1866, and bearing the legend "A. Lincoln," "With Charity to all, with malice for none," "1776 Union Forever 1865." This is probably the handsomest of all Lincoln memorial badges and is significant of the world-wide esteem for Lincoln.

From the HON. J. O. CUNNINGHAM, of Urbana, Illinois, a copy of an ambrotype of Abraham Lincoln made in Urbana in 1858 was received. Mr. Cunningham's own account of this picture is most interesting and therefore is printed in full as follows: "This picture of Abraham Lincoln is a copy of an ambrotype made by Samuel Alschuler, at Urbana, Illinois, about the last of May,

1858, in my presence. I was in the room when Mr. Lincoln entered at the request of the artist. Mr. Lincoln was at the time dressed in a long linen duster. Looking his subject over the artist said he should be unable to take the picture in that coat and asked if he had no other in which he could sit. The answer was that the linen duster was the only coat he had brought with him from home. The artist then suggested that his coat be worn, to which Mr. Lincoln assented and arrayed himself in the darker coat of the artist, a man whose body was as large as was that of Mr. Lincoln, while his arms were much shorter. The coat well fitted his person, but the arms of Mr. Lincoln, which were abnormally long, protruded beyond the lower end of the sleeves a quarter of a yard, giving him a most ludicrous appearance, at which he was convulsed with laughter. He found it quite difficult to so compose his features as to enable the artist to get a picture of him, as will be seen from the position of the lips in this picture. No other picture of Mr. Lincoln can be found wherein the lips are in the attitude here shown."

MR. ROBERT HEWITT, who is the owner of the largest collection of medallic Lincolniana, gave three Lincoln campaign medals of 1860 and 1865.

From MESSRS. F. H. NOBLE & COMPANY, at the suggestion of MR. ROBERT HEWITT, were received two Lincoln medals issued by the Lincoln National Life Insurance Company of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

From MR. HENRY E. HAMILTON was received a Lincoln Centennial Memorial Button of the Lincoln Park Lodge No. 611, A.F. and A.M.

MRS. SAMUEL LOCKWOOD BROWN presented several personal relics of Abraham Lincoln, all of which are well authenticated, having been given by Mr. Thomas Pendell who was on duty at the White House during Lincoln's residence there, to Miss Josephine M. B. Chester and by her to Mrs. Brown. Among them are the following: a piece of shirt bosom and a black kid glove, both having been worn by Lincoln; a piece of silk from the lining of the sleeve of Miss Harris' dress worn when she attended the theatre as a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln on the night of Lincoln's assassination; a piece of black cloth and part of the drapery, used respectively to cover and

decorate the catafalque under which Lincoln's body lay in state in the White House; also a card of admittance to the obsequies held at the Executive Mansion, on Wednesday the 19th of April, 1865.

MR. FRANCIS G. BROWNE presented a card de visite photograph of Mrs. Mary Todd Lincoln by M. B. Brady, taken in 1862.

From MISS EMMA L. FOWLER was received a beautiful lace handkerchief once the property of Mrs. Mary Todd Lincoln whose initials "M. L." are embroidered in one corner. This personal relic of Mrs. Lincoln is particularly interesting as it was while she was a resident of Chicago, living at Washington Boulevard and Willard Place, that she gave it to her neighbor's daughter who presents it to the Society.

From MISS LEILA W. LULL the Society received a small photograph of the main building of the Great Northwestern Sanitary Fair opened May 30, 1865, which stood in Dearborn Park, on the site of the present Public Library; also the official badge of the World's Religious Congresses, Chicago, 1893.

MR. WILLIAM S. EDBROOKE presented an historic inkstand, the inscription on which explains its significance: "From timber of old Green Tree Tavern cut December, 1833. Erected at northeast corner of Canal and West Lake Streets, 1834. Made and presented by William S. Edbrooke to the Chicago Historical Society, 1907." This will form a most suitable adjunct to our visitor's register at gatherings of early settlers. Notwithstanding the date Mr. Edbrooke, did not present this inkstand until the present year.

MR. E. R. LEWIS presented a brick from the Washington Street tunnel, completed in 1869; also a section of steel cable of the North Chicago Street Railway Company from the LaSalle Street tunnel.

THE CHICAGO NUMISMATIC SOCIETY through MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR., presented the membership medal for 1909 of that society, which completes the Society's collection of similar medals to date; also the medal issued

by them in commemoration of the arrival of the U. S. S. Nashville in Chicago Harbor, June 5, 1909, the ship that fired the first shot in the Spanish American War.

From MRS. EZRA B. McCAGG were received a large framed photograph of Ezra B. McCagg, incorporator of this Society, and an etching of George P. A. Healy, the artist, bearing an autograph presentation inscription dated February 7, 1885, and framed as it had hung in the library of Mr. McCagg for over twenty years. Mrs. McCagg also presented photographs of Jacob Dolson Cox, the Ohio General of Civil War fame and Governor of that State in 1866, and of Rev. William Barry, founder of this Society.

Upon request, MISS HELEN LESLIE CARTER presented a picture of her brother, the late Leslie Carter, for many years a resident of Chicago.

MR. MILWARD ADAMS presented a collection of five photographs in a large frame, showing the interior of the Manufactures Building taken at the time of the dedication of the World's Columbian Exposition, October 22, 1892; also a large framed photograph taken during the banquet tendered to President McKinley in the Auditorium Theatre in celebration of the laying of the cornerstone of the Federal Building, October 9, 1899.

MR. FRANKLIN WALDO SMITH presented eleven stereopticon slides of early Chicago which he made especially for the lecture by Mr. Frederick Francis Cook.

GENERAL WALTER C. NEWBERRY, at the solicitation of the Society, presented two photographs of himself, one taken in 1862, the other during the present year.

From MR. D. A. ADE, through Dr. O. L. SCHMIDT, a photograph of the old Third Presbyterian Church was received.

The NATIONAL BATTLEFIELD COMMISSION OF CANADA presented a medal struck off in commemoration of the Tercentenary of the Founding of Quebec by Champlain.

MR. HENRY KOOTZ presented a queen's-ware pitcher and plate, relics of the Chicago Fire. These were re-

covered after the fire in a rear yard on Goethe Street where they had been buried by Mr. Fred Kootz before the fire.

From MESSRS. A. C. MCCLURG & Co., through MR. FRANCIS G. BROWNE, were received ten stereoscopic views of Chicago taken after the Great Fire of 1871.

Not least among the gifts of the year are to be mentioned those of GENERAL W. C. NEWBERRY, two loads of rich black soil, for the lawns around the Society's Building, and MESSRS. ALBERT and ARTHUR DICKINSON, a ten-pound sack of grass seed. In consequence of these gifts the Society's lawns have looked better than for many years previous and have called forth favorable comments from many.

PROFESSOR HJALMAR R. HOLAND, of Ephraim, Wis., presented two photographs of the Kensington Runestone upon which he lectured before the Society, February 3, 1910. These photographs are large enough to show the runic characters engraved on the stone and will serve students in this vicinity in the absence of the stone itself.

From the COMMERCIAL CLUB the Society has received a photograph of Oliver Wendell Holmes framed together with an original manuscript poem by him, in a piece of the historic elm that stood in Boston Common; also a handsome fellowship cup of Rookwood Pottery a gift to the Commercial Club of Chicago by the Commercial Club of Cincinnati.

MR. C. F. GUNTHER presented a most valuable accession to the Society's own history in the form of a water-color painting of the Society's Building which occupied a portion of the Dearborn Avenue frontage of the present site from 1877 until it was demolished to make place for the present building in 1892. This picture supplies a great deficiency in our collections for it was thought that no authentic picture of this, the Society's second home, existed. To it attaches a sentimental as well as an historic interest, as it was to the erection of this little building that the earlier members of the Society so loyally subscribed in 1877; and its completion marked the reestablishment of the Society in a home of its own, after the

Great Fire. The painting is the work of Walter Burridge and was made in 1885. Accompanying it is a letter from the artist to Mr. Gunther dated July 28, 1899.

MRS. E. W. BLATCHFORD, upon request, presented a photograph of Mr. E. W. Blatchford, a member of the Society, for its album of present members.

From MISS ALICE N. MULLIGAN were received two photographs of unusual interest: one, a copy of the portrait by Healy of her father, Colonel James A. Mulligan, the gallant commander of Chicago's "Irish Brigade" from June 18, 1861, when the brigade was mustered into the service, until the disastrous day at Kernstown, when they bravely struggled against overwhelming numbers, and their heroic chief fell fronting the enemy, July 24, 1864; the other, a copy of a picture of the young Lieutenant James H. Nugent, on the staff of Colonel Mulligan, who was killed after saving the colors, while assisting in carrying his commander from the field.

From MR. GEORGE MERRYWEATHER was received a series of pictures of the proposed plan of Chicago, and pictures of the McCormick and Kesner Buildings, recently erected.

MR. MAX RIGOT presented several panoramic views of Chicago which he has published recently.

MR. J. WALTER LAMB presented a copy from an original photograph of the Cook County Court House and surroundings taken during the funeral of Abraham Lincoln in 1865.

MR. J. SEYMOUR CURREY presented one of the posters of the Historical Pageant of Illinois, which was held under the auspices of Northwestern University, at Evanston, October 7, 8 and 9, 1909.

MR. JULIUS FRANKEL presented a small oil painting suitably framed, of a scene on the Des Plaines River, the work of H. Hulsmann.

From COLONEL FRANCIS A. EASTMAN, a collection of seals of cities of the United States was received.

From Miss KATIE C. HUNT, through Mrs. Addie L. Clybourn was received an interesting colored lithograph entitled: "Washington Introducing Lafayette to His Mother."

DR. O. L. SCHMIDT presented a rare colored lithograph of Washington's home at Mount Vernon, drawn by C. H. Wells and printed by F. Collin, n. d.

MR. CHARLES H. CONOVER presented one of the medals struck off in memory of Grover Cleveland. The obverse bears a portrait in relief and the legend "Grover Cleveland 1837-1908 Vox Populi," reverse, "Public Office a Public Trust, President 1885-1892," the work of J. E. Roiné.

From the FAMILY OF THE LATE HENRY RUSH BOSS, a member of this Society, was received a framed color-print made on the Campbell Press over forty years ago. Mr. Boss valued this highly and carefully preserved it through many years, considering it an excellent example of the earliest color-printing. It forms another item in the Printers' Library that was presented to the Society by the Old Time Printers of Chicago, through the efforts of Mr. Boss, many years ago.

MR. H. BERRETT presented a photogravure portrait of Cyrus Hall McCormick, Sr., and a half-tone of the St. Gauden's Lincoln at Lincoln Park.

From the ESTATE OF MRS. GURDON S. HUBBARD the Society received a steel engraving of W. F. Thornton.

GENERAL JAMES GRANT WILSON, upon request, sent a photograph of himself for the Society's album of members.

MR. JAMES M. DE WITT, one of the few surviving members of the original Zouave Cadets of Chicago who came from New York to attend the fiftieth anniversary of that organization on October 10, 1910, presented two interesting relics of the Zouaves; namely: the key of the iron door to the Zouave Cadets' Armory in the Garrett Block at the southeast corner of State and Randolph Streets, and the key to one of the equipment boxes, first used by the cadets when, in 1860, commanded by Colonel Ephraim Elmer Ellsworth, they toured the eastern cities, as Military Champions of America.

MISS MABEL McILVAINE presented an interesting series of post-cards and pictures commemorating the Hudson-Fulton Celebration held in New York City, 1909.

MRS. LAVERNE W. NOYES presented a patent dictionary holder which has proved of great value in the Library.

By direction of MISS JUNIATA STAFFORD, deceased, her sister, MRS. J. S. ROSSITER of Evanston, Illinois, presented a handsomely framed portrait in oil of their father, the late John Francis Stafford, who was an annual member of this Society from 1868 to 1871 and who rendered valuable services to the City of Chicago in the Lake Front Case, which determined the present open Lake Front between Twelfth and Randolph Streets. Miss Stafford left the following directions with regard to this portrait: "This portrait is presented to the Chicago Historical Society by his daughter (Miss) Juniata Stafford to be delivered to the Historical Society immediately after her death, or at an earlier date if she so designates, Chicago, April 12, 1910." Miss Stafford's wishes were soon to be carried out, for she died June 2, 1910. With this also came a photograph of the monument on the lot of John Francis Stafford at Rose Hill Cemetery.

MRS. ELEONORE RANG presented a framed oil painting of the "Battle of the Monitor and Merrimac."

MR. A. W. WATRISS has increased the interesting collection of photographs of historic sites of Chicago and vicinity, which he himself has taken and presented to the Society from time to time during previous years, by the addition of two views of the Old Lake View Town Hall, which stands at the corner of Addison and Halsted Streets, a picture of the Second Baptist Church at the corner of Monroe and Morgan Streets, a photograph of the old toll-gate house which stood at the corner of North Clark Street and the Indian Boundary Line in Rogers Park, and three excellent views of the Fort Dearborn Tablet on the building of William M. Hoyt at the south end of the Rush Street Bridge.

MRS. ELLEN E. L. WOODWARD presented a leather covered work-box once the property of Martha Washington.

From MESSRS. EMIL RUDOLPH and W. PICKLEY the Society received specimens of the paving blocks dug up at the corner of Clark and Randolph Streets during the last year. These are examples of what was called the Nicholson pavement block, being a solid piece of pine coated with a preparation of tar. Much history attaches to the use of them in Chicago as suit was brought against the city in 1867 on account of them. The specimens presented to the Society were partially charred in the Chicago Fire and serve to show that even the street pavements were burned in that great conflagration.

DR. O. L. SCHMIDT presented a rare old engraving of "Washington Passing the Delaware, Evening previous to the Battle of Trenton, Dec. 25, 1776," the work of G. S. Lang after a painting by Thomas Sully and published by S. Augustus Mitchell, Philadelphia, May 20, 1825.

MR. C. F. GUNTHER donated half the purchase price of a photographic group of Civil War generals.

MR. HORACE WHITE, a member of this Society from 1868 to 1871, and prominently identified with the press of Chicago at one time, presented a photograph of himself for the Society's album of members.

From the CHILDREN OF THE LATE JOHN NEWELL, member of the Society from 1880 until his death in 1894, was received a steel engraving of their father, appropriately framed.

From DR. O. L. SCHMIDT was received an original photograph of Stephen A. Douglas.

In the name of DAVID DUNDAS MICHAELS, deceased, MRS. SARAH D. MICHAELS presented a framed engraving "Henry Clay Addressing the United States Senate in Advocacy of the Compromise Bill," 1850.

REV. EDWIN SAWYER WALKER, a Corresponding Member, of Springfield, Illinois, presented a photograph of Mason Brayman, an incorporator of the Society, dated July 2, 1879.

To DRs. C. N. JOHNSON, ELGIN MAWHINNEY and FRANK H. ZINN, officers of the Chicago Odontographic Society, we are indebted for two framed groups of portraits

of Chicago dentists, the work of Mr. Frank D. DuSouchet. The earlier group embraces members prominent in the profession who practiced in Chicago from the time of Dr. Peter Temple, who came here in 1833, down to 1890, several lines of biographical data being given about each. The second group includes dentists of the first rank since that time.

MR. L. M. RITTERBAND gave a framed relief in plaster of the late George Howland, who was prominently identified with educational affairs in Chicago for many years.

Upon solicitation by the Society, MR. CHARLES A. PART-RIDGE, a resident of Waukegan since 1844, presented a photograph of himself.

DR. EMMA L. BENHAM presented a bag made from a dress of Martha Washington. This interesting relic was sold at an Orphan Fair in Washington, D. C., in 1825, by Mrs. John Quincy Adams, wife of the President, to Mr. Cyrus Dyer of Providence, R. I. Many years later an exact reproduction of the material of which the bag is made was manufactured by Messrs. A. & W. Sprague of Cranston, R. I., and called the Martha Washington Print, a piece of which accompanies the gift. A letter dated Cranston, March 2, 1876, and signed "W. Sprague," authenticates the story of the Martha Washington Print, and is also presented by Dr. Benham.

The Executive Committee desires to here express gratitude, and tender its thanks to MR. RICHARD E. SCHMIDT, a member, who has this year, as in many former years, given liberally of his time and professional services in connection with repairs and improvements in and upon the Society's Building and thus materially aided the House Committee in its work.

PUBLICATIONS.

The past year has been one that will stand out prominently in the history of the Society on account of the valuable publications issued. In its fifty-two years of existence the Society has never brought out a more noteworthy contribution to history than the "Diary of James K. Polk During His Presidency, 1835 to 1849" edited by Milo Milton Quaife, published for the Society by A. C.

McClurg & Co., and constituting Volumes VI., VII., VIII. and IX. of the Chicago Historical Society's Collection series. These volumes are printed in good clear type, suitably bound, each volume having a photogravure frontispiece as follows: copy of the oil painting of President Polk by G. P. A. Healy, now in the collection of the Tennessee Historical Society; a copy of the picture by Thomas Sully painted in 1847 for the Dialectic Society of the University of North Carolina; a copy of an original daguerreotype of President and Mrs. Polk made in Washington in 1847 or 1848; and a picture of the last home of James K. Polk at Nashville, Tennessee. The publication of this work was largely due to the efforts of Professor Charles W. Mann who was engaged upon it at the time of his death, and it bears as a dedication the following tribute to his memory:

“Dedicated
To the Memory of
Professor Charles Wesley Mann
To whose scholarly enthusiasm
The Publication of this work is due.”

The Executive Committee has caused to be printed the following pamphlets.

“Year-Book of the Society, 1909,” containing a full Report of the Annual Meeting held November 16, 1909. It is gratifying to note that this Year-Book has been accorded much commendation for the value of the historical material contained in it, and especially as an item of Lincolniana, there being in it a full account of the Lincoln Centennial Celebration held by the Society in 1909, as well as a record of many important Lincoln relics and pictures given to the Society during that year.

The following have just been received from the printer and will soon be in the hands of members:

“The Preamble and Boundary Clauses of the Illinois Constitution,” by Herman G. James, read before the Society, January 18, 1910.

“The Indian as a Diplomatic Factor in the History of the Old Northwest,” a paper read before the Society on March 28, 1907, by Isaac Joslin Cox.

As a future publication the Executive Committee has carefully considered and has recently determined upon a volume continuing the Society's Collection Series to be issued in 1912 as a memorial of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Chicago Massacre. The Society is in possession of much unpublished manuscript and other valuable material bearing on the Massacre and Mr. M. M. Quaife who edited the Polk Diary has been authorized to use the Society's collections in preparation for this publication.

It is with much regret that the Executive Committee has to report that President Head has expressed a desire to be relieved from the cares and duties of the office, and the Committee feels constrained to accede to his request. Mr. Head was elected to the First Vice-Presidency in 1899, and during the year 1903, following the death of T. Mauro Garrett, filled the place thus left vacant on the Executive Committee, actively and faithfully sharing the duties devolved upon that Committee; and in 1904 he was elected to the Presidency as the successor of John N. Jewett, deceased; since which time he has filled the position with zeal and distinction. During all these years he has given lavishly of his time to the work of the Society and its interests, and the Executive Committee desires to spread on the Society's Records this brief acknowledgement of its debt of gratitude to Mr. Head as its retiring President for the years of devoted service thus given to the Society.

The Executive Committee feels that its Annual Report would be incomplete if it failed to publicly express and inscribe in the Society's records the Committee's appreciation of the faithfulness and zeal of the Society's employees during the year. Their interest has been constant and their industry untiring. So efficiently have the duties of their respective departments been performed by the Librarian, the Record Writer and Accountant, and the Accession Clerk that the lack of an official secretary has hardly been noticed. The Executive Committee therefore deems it to the interest of the Society that the secretaryship should remain vacant until it can be filled to their thorough satisfaction and to the permanent benefit of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Executive Committee.

On motion of MR. GUNTHER, seconded by MR. BURLEY, the Report of the Executive Committee was accepted, approved and ordered placed on file.

MR. BURLEY, Chairman of the Membership Committee, then presented and read the Report of the Membership Committee, which is as follows:

To the President of the Chicago Historical Society:

As Chairman of the Committee appointed to seek for new members for the Society, I respectfully report as follows:

A committee of seven was appointed. Two of the members appointed were unable to act. The remaining five members met and canvassed a number of names to whom letters should be written. Letters were written to 136 people with the result that thirty-six new members were added to the Society through the efforts of this Committee since its appointment.

It gives me great pleasure to compliment MR. CHARLES H. CONOVER upon his very efficient work in this matter, for it is due to him that there were secured twenty-two of the thirty-six new members brought in.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE A. BURLEY,
Chairman of the Committee.

October 28, 1910.

On motion of DR. DAVIS, seconded by MR. FISHER, the Report of the Membership Committee was accepted, approved and ordered placed on file.

MR. BURLEY, of the Board of Trustees of the Gilpin Fund, then presented and read the Report of the Gilpin Trustees, which is as follows:

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF THE
GILPIN FUND OF THE CHICAGO HISTORICAL
SOCIETY.

NOVEMBER 1, 1909, TO OCTOBER 31, 1910.

RECEIPTS.

Certificate of Deposit on hand November 1, 1909.....	\$ 199.99
\$2,000, 3½% bonds, matured July 1, 1910	2,000.00
\$500, 4% bond, maturing January 1, 1911, sold at 99⅞.....	499.37
Interest on \$19,000, 3½% bonds, 1 yr.	665.00
Interest on 47,500, 4% bonds, 1 year.	1,900.00
Interest on 1,000, 4% bonds, 6 mos.	20.00
Interest on \$500, 4% bonds, sold Oct. 24, 1910.....	6.28
Interest on Certificate of Deposit.....	22.03
	\$ 2,613.31
	\$ 5,312.67

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for \$1,000, 4% City Bond, due July 1, 1915, at 99¾.....	\$ 997.50
Paid accrued interest on same.....	4.33
Paid for \$2,000, 4% City Bonds, due Jan. 1, 1928, at 98⅞.....	1,977.50
Paid accrued interest on same.....	4.44
Paid safety vault box rent.....	10.00
Paid Chicago Historical Society, annual appropriation	2,100.00
	\$ 5,093.77

Certificate of Deposit (3%) in Safety

Deposit Vault box.....	218.90
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STATEMENT OF GILPIN FUND,

NOVEMBER 1, 1910.

Chicago City 3½% bonds, par value.....	\$17,000.00
Chicago City 4% bonds, par value.....	50,000.00
Certificate of Deposit.....	218.90

Total	\$67,218.90
Amount received from estate of Henry D. Gilpin, deceased	64,314.34

Surplus	\$ 2,904.56
Chicago, November 1, 1910.	

EUGENE H. FISHBURN,
CLARENCE A. BURLEY,
WALTER L. FISHER,
Trustees.

On motion of DR. STONE, seconded by MR. GUNTHER, the Report of the Gilpin Fund Trustees was accepted, approved and ordered placed on file.

In the absence of MR. ORSON SMITH, Treasurer of the Society, PRESIDENT HEAD presented the Treasurer's Report as printed in the pamphlet of Reports of Officers in the hands of the members at the Meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1910.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on hand November 1st, 1909	\$ 3,094.29
Deposits by Secretary.....	\$18,357.98
Deposits by Trustees Gilpin Fund..	2,100.00
Interest on South Side Elevated Rail-	
way Bonds	180.00
Interest on Chicago City Railway	
Bonds	150.00
Interest on Metropolitan Elevated	
Railway Bonds	40.00
Interest on Commonwealth Electric	
Company Bonds	400.00
Interest on Peoples Gas Company	
Bonds	400.00
Interest on Atchison, Topeka &	
Santa Fé Bonds.....	240.00
Interest on City of Mobile Bonds..	90.00
Interest on Bank Account.....	106.84

	\$25,159.11

DISBURSEMENTS.

Vouchers issued by the Secretary,	
countersigned by the President.	\$20,914.31
Balance on hand October 31st, 1910	4,244.80

	\$25,159.11

The above balance is made up as follows:

General Fund	\$1,641.22
Pond Fund	1,370.67
Jackson Fund	156.14
Carpenter Fund	68.97
Stickney Fund	1,007.80

	\$4,244.80

The following securities are held in safe deposit box by the Society:

POND FUND.			
Four (4) South Side Elevated Railway Bonds, each	\$1,000	\$4,000	
One (1) Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Railroad Bond	500	500	
Eight (8) Peoples Gas Light & Coke Company Bonds, each	1,000	8,000	
One (1) Metropolitan Elevated Railroad Bond	1,000	1,000	
STICKNEY FUND.			
Five (5) Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Railroad Bonds, each.....	1,000	5,000	
CARPENTER FUND.			
One (1) Commonwealth Electric Company Bond	1,000	1,000	
JACKSON FUND.			
One (1) Commonwealth Electric Company Bond	1,000	1,000	
GARRETT FUND.			
One (1) Commonwealth Electric Company Bond	1,000	1,000	
WATKINS FUND.			
Five (5) Commonwealth Electric Company Bonds, each.....	1,000	5,000	
TILTON FUND.			
Three (3) Chicago City Railroad Bonds, each	1,000	3,000	
WILLING FUND.			
Two (2) City of Mobile, Alabama, Bonds, each	1,000	2,000	
One (1) Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Railroad Bond	500	500	
MARSHALL FIELD FUND.			
Five (5) Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Railroad Bonds, each.....	1,000	5,000	
Respectfully submitted,			
ORSON SMITH, Treasurer.			

Since the rendering of this Report five (5) \$1,000 Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Bonds have been purchased for the Marshall Field Fund.

The Report of the Auditing Committee appears following the digest of the Trial Balance in the Executive Committee's Report, on page 270.

On motion of MR. DENT, duly seconded, the Reports of the Treasurer and the Auditing Committee were referred to the Executive Committee.

The next order of business being the Election of New Members, the Secretary of the Meeting read the following list of those who had been recommended for election by the Society:

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

HELEN LESLIE CARTER
DANIEL FRANCIS CRILLY
ALBERT F. MADLENER
ROBERT LINDSAY SCOTT
ANNA SHELDON OGDEN WEST

CORRESPONDING MEMBERS.

FRANK GORDON BEAUBIEN
MARSHALL MARTIN DUTTON
CLARENCE SUMNER PAINE
PHILIP C. SCHUPP

The Secretary added to this list the following names:

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

SAMUEL EUGENE BLISS
STEWART CLARK

CORRESPONDING MEMBER.

CHARLES BERT REED

These names had been proposed by members for membership after the last meeting of the Executive Committee and were now brought up for election according to Article II., Section 1., which provides for election of member without recommendation by the Executive Committee.

MR. DENT, seconded by MR. R. E. SCHMIDT, moved that the persons whose names were proposed, be elected for membership in the Society.

The motion was unanimously adopted.

THE PRESIDENT announced that the next in order of business was Election of Officers, and stated that a President, two Vice-Presidents and the necessary number of Members of the Executive Committee were to be elected.

MR. FISHER, seconded by MR. BURLEY, moved that THE PRESIDENT appoint a committee of three to nominate the required officers and committeemen. On adoption of the motion, THE PRESIDENT appointed to serve as such committee BISHOP CHENEY, JUDGE ROBERTS and DR. DAVIS.

During the absence of the Nominating Committee the Librarian presented her Report for the past year and read from it a number of extracts touching upon particularly interesting features of the Society's work. The Report is as follows:

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

*To the Executive Committee of the
Chicago Historical Society:*

GENTLEMEN:—I have the honor to submit my report as Librarian of the Chicago Historical Society for the year ending October 31, 1910.

Two events of special importance mark the year 1909-10, namely, Mr. Charles H. Conover's gift to the Society of his collection of Lewis and Clark literature; and the publication by the Society of the *Diary of James K. Polk During his Presidency, 1845 to 1849*, edited by MILO MILTON QUAIFE, with an Introduction by Andrew Cunningham McLaughlin, in four volumes, these being volumes VI. to IX. of the Society's published *Collections*. The subject of the Diary is treated at some length under the caption "Publications." Other activities of the Society deserving special attention, will be found under the headings, "Field Work" (embracing Archaeology), "Relations with Historical Societies and Kindred Organizations," "Special Exhibitions," and

"Accessions." The Committee will be gratified to note that many valuable gifts of manuscripts and books mark continued interest in the Society's work on the part of members and friends.

The Charles H. Conover Collection of Lewis and Clark Literature—

Through the generosity of Mr. Conover this Society has been placed in the first rank of collectors of the "Travels" of Lewis and Clark, and when it is remembered that it was by means of Lewis' and Clark's expedition to the Pacific ocean that President Jefferson took peaceful possession of half a continent, thereby creating the Great West, this store-house of the records of that achievement, will be conceded to be a precious heritage.

For almost twenty years Mr. Conover had been gathering rare editions of this epic of American history, and at the time of making the gift his collection surpassed all others in completeness, and had the distinction of being the only private collection described in Mr. Victor H. Paltsits' *Bibliographical Data*, which includes the collections of the British Museum, the Boston Athenaeum, the Library of Congress, the New York Public Library, and many others.

The fact that the owner of so choice a possession has bestowed it upon this institution implies that he believes in the Chicago Historical Society, and in its ability to make the collection of the utmost service to students of history and to *amateurs des livres*. And it is fitting that this store-house should be in Chicago not only because Illinois is "The Heart of the Continent," but by reason of a fact that has been too long overlooked, namely, that the first camping place of the Lewis and Clark expedition was on Illinois soil, and the journey thither the first stage on its way to the Pacific.

The collection comprises over fifty separate works, contained in twice that number of volumes, listed

Die
Reisen
der Capitaine
Lewis und Clarke;

unternommen
auf Befehl der
Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten
in den Jahren 1804, 1805 und 1806,

über

eine Ländersrecke von mehr als 3000 Meilen,
von St. Louis, auf dem Missouri und
Columbia, nach dem stillen Meer.

Enthal tend:

Eine Beschreibung der Indianischen Völkerstämme,
welche den westlichen Theil von Nord-Amerika,
der uns bisher unbekannt und unentdeckt
war, bewohnen.

Samt

einer statistischen Uebersicht der Indianer Nationen,
aus dem Official Bericht von

Meriwether Lewis.

[Mit Abbildungen Indianischer Admige.]

Friedrichstadt:
Gedruckt bey M. Wartgis. — 1812.

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below under the head of "Accessions."** These are described with great accuracy in Mr. Paltsits' *Bibliographical Data*, but the printed page faintly conveys the delight which the bibliophile experiences in handling the volumes themselves, and noting their small eccentricities—the saffron-colored paper of the Congressional documents, containing the first mention of the expedition; the crudely illustrated narrative of Patrick Gass; the pompous title-pages of the counterfeit Journals, prematurely printed by enterprising publishers five years before the genuine Journals appeared; and finally the two great modern editions, the one annotated by Dr. Elliott Coues, the other by Dr. Reuben Gold Thwaites, both celebrated for their additions of original materials before unpublished.

On the opposite page is photographed the title-page of the most remarkable bibliographical curiosity of the collection. Inside the cover of this small book is a letter which vouches for the genuineness of the priceless gem. It is in part as follows:—

Lenox Library Building,
New York, May 14, 1903

Charles H. Conover, Esq.,
My Dear Sir:

It gives me great pleasure to be able to thank you for sending the little German Lewis and Clark pamphlet of 1812. You have picked up a real nugget, because this tract is entirely unknown to bibliographers. The late Dr. Seidensticker, who was our best specialist in German books printed in America, did not know of it, nor did he know of a single item printed in Frederick, Maryland, in the year 1812. Your tract is interesting both as a Lewis and Clark and as a German-American imprint. Your collection is the only private one I note—all the remaining references are concerned with copies in public or corporate libraries...

Yours very sincerely,
(Signed) Victor H. Paltsits.

*Pp. 80 *et seq.*

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The chief value of this collection, however, lies not in its curiosities. The fact that the Lewis and Clark "Travels" were printed in America, England, Holland, France and Germany, and that they continue to be reprinted to this day, more than a hundred years since the first edition, is a sufficient indication that the subject has interested the greater part of the civilized world.

For intrinsic historical interest the Thwaites edition, published by Dodd, Mead & Company in New York, in 1904-5, must take precedence of all others, for it is printed from the original manuscripts, in the possession of the American Philosophical Society, and contains beside, a mass of heretofore unpublished note-books, letters and journals, owned by descendants of the explorers.

Some of this new material causes a readjustment of our historical perspective. For example Thomas Jefferson's plans for the advancement of the West are shown to have been matured long before the purchase of Louisiana was thought of, by a letter written to George Rogers Clark, the elder brother of William, dated at Annapolis, December 4, 1783, proposing to him to head an expedition "for exploring the country from the Mississippi to California." There is nothing to show that Clark responded to this proposal, but Illinois' Revolutionary hero was at this moment engaged in pushing his claims for reimbursement for expenses incurred in his Kaskaskia-Vincennes campaign of 1778.

We who live in the Great Central West, enjoying the wonderful prosperity of this region, should acquaint ourselves with the contents of these volumes in order to renew our veneration for Thomas Jefferson, the father of Trans-Mississippi Exploration, and for his chosen leaders of the enterprise, whose indefatigable labors gave us the country.

In 1787 when minister to Paris, Jefferson negotiated

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with John Ledyard, the companion of Captain James Cook, to cross Europe and Asia and approach the sources of the Missouri by way of Kamchatka and Nootka Sound. Unfortunately, or perhaps fortunately, the Russian government captured the poor gentleman and carried him back to Poland. In 1793, as vice-president of the American Philosophical Society, Jefferson planned an expedition to be headed by André Michaux, the French botanist, but Michaux being chosen by the French minister Genet to deal with George Rogers Clark, who was in the act of leading a band of Kentuckians against New Orleans, this effort also proved abortive. However, no sooner was he made president than he fondly reverted to his beloved scheme, and in January 1803 sent his secret message to Congress which resulted in the appropriation of \$2500 to finance the expedition, which Captain Meriwether Lewis, his private secretary, was chosen to lead.

Captain Lewis' choice of a companion to share his responsibilities fell upon his boyhood friend William Clark, whose elder brother we have seen, was Jefferson's first ideal of a leader. The military exploits of young Clark had already been numerous. When but eighteen years old he joined Colonel John Hardin's* expedition against the Indians north of the Ohio River.

On the 31st of August, 1803, Captain Lewis embarked at Pittsburg picking up Clark and several recruits at Louisville. At this point most writers of history have been content to record that "the expedition win-

*John Hardin, himself a veteran of Lord Dunmore's War, the Revolutionary and Indian Wars, is the progenitor of a long line of brilliant soldiers. His grandson, Major John J. Hardin, mustered-in Lincoln's company in the Black Hawk War, and lost his life in the Battle of Buena Vista. His great-grandson, Brigadier-General Martin D. Hardin, who is a member of this Society, served on the staff of Col. R. E. Lee during the John Brown raid, commanded the 12th Pennsylvania Reserves, in the battles of Gettysburg and Fallen Timbers, and after almost countless acts of bravery, was retired in 1870 because of wounds.

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tered on the east side of the Mississippi." It seems probable that it is owing to this summary treatment of the happenings of the next five months that the majority of Illinoisans have never realized that Illinois has the honor of furnishing the headquarters of the expedition from late December, 1803, until May 14, 1804. But that such is the case the Journals of Captain Clark bear ample witness, and on the fly-leaf of one of his note-books may be read the following memorandum by his own hand:

"Capts. Lewis & Clark wintered at the entrance of a small river opposite the mouth of Missouri called Wood River, where they formed their party composed of robust, healthy, hardy young men."

To be sure modern gazeteers and atlases ignore Wood river completely, but poverty of material only adds zest to search, and fortunately early writers were more explicit. The Rev. John Mason Peck, author of a *Gazetteer of Illinois* (published in Jacksonville, in 1834), was a faithful chronicler of extinct towns and obsolete rivers, and gives the following note corroborative of Clark's statement.—

"Wood River, in Madison County, enters the Mississippi nearly opposite the mouth of the Missouri. It rises in Macoupin and runs through a fine country."

The temptation is strong to attempt to identify the exact spot of the winter camp, for who knows but that some of the camp kettles and tools, mentioned in Clark's inventories, may have been left behind, and mark the site today. John Reynolds, who came to Illinois in 1800, refers to the camp in most interesting fashion, but want of space forbids more at this time than this passing reference, and the expression of the hope that this Society may feel justified in continuing this investigation with a view to recommending the site to the Commission for Investigating State Park Sites. Space also forbids following up the expedition, or even quoting at length from

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Clark's Journal at "Camp River Dubois," as the French settlers called it, although this document enriches our scanty store of data for the history of Illinois at this period. The present writer will be content, therefore, with quoting the following observations from Clark's Meteorological Diary, which at this point reads not unlike a Psalm of David, for it will help the investigator to picture to his mind's eye the coming of spring in Camp Dubois:

- April 1st. The Spice wood is in full bloe, the dogs tooth violet, and May apple appear above ground.
- 13th. The brant, Geese, Duck, Swan, Crane and other aquatic birds have gone further north. The Summer duck are now here in great numbers.
- 17th. Peach trees in full Bloom the Weeping willow has put forth its leaves. The *violet*, the *doves foot*, & *cowslip* are in bloe. The Trees of the forest particularly the Cottonwood begin to obtain from the size of their buds a Greenish cast at a distance. The Gooseberry which is also in this countrey and lilack have put forth their leaves.

Publications —

When the Society purchased the Diary of James K. Polk, in 1901, the fact was rather widely heralded by the press, for competent scholars had pronounced it the most valuable document bearing upon American history remaining unpublished. Moreover, John Quincy Adams is the only other president who kept such a diary. On every side the hope was expressed that the Society would put it into print without delay, for until the twenty-four manuscript volumes comprising this Diary were brought forth from the small cow-hide trunk in which the ex-president conveyed his papers from the White House to his home in Nashville, the period of Polk's administration had been accounted remarkably poor in original records. Nevertheless events of colossal importance so crowded one another during his administration, that George Bancroft, Secretary of the Navy under Polk, said of it: "His administration viewed from the standpoint of results was perhaps the greatest in our history. . . He succeeded because he

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insisted on being its centre and in overruling and guiding all of his secretaries."

At the risk of trenching upon the province of the published "Diary", and that of its editor, Dr. M. M. Quaife, the present writer ventures to recall, that, by being the "centre" of his administration, and overruling friends and enemies alike Polk succeeded in settling the Oregon boundary with England, acquiring California, and annexing Texas, thereby adding more territory to the United States than any president except Jefferson.

At the time of Polk's nomination for the presidency, the party-cry of the Whigs "Who is Polk?" had a certain appropriateness. The answer to that query has been long in coming, but now it seems to be at hand. May it not be that, when the man shall stand self-revealed, as he must do after the publication of this Diary, the response "James K. Polk, Empire Builder" will be forthcoming. Intimations of this verdict seem to be foreshadowed in the following comments. Dr. Francis W. Shepardson, Associate Professor of American History of the University of Chicago, writes:

"A notable addition to the source material for the study of the middle period of United States history is made by the Chicago Historical Society... All serious students of American history owe a debt of gratitude to the Society for the publication of the *Diary of James K. Polk.*"

In a three column article in the *New York Sun*, a reviewer says:

"The Diary in its printed form is a credit to Chicago and takes its place as perhaps the most important publication in the field of American history which has come from the middle west in many a year."

To have performed so signal a service for the advancement of historical studies must be deeply gratifying to the Society. The delays and misfortunes attending the work of publication were treated in the report of last year.

An edition of 1000 sets of the *Diary* was published for the Society by A. C. McClurg & Company, 500 of these being issued with a special title-page and label to

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conform with the earlier volumes of the Society's published *Collections*.*

During the last week of July the first shipment of the books, consisting of 302 sets, was received. As instructed by the Publication Committee the Librarian at once sent letters to the members inquiring when and where delivery was desired, and enclosing postal cards for reply. In addition to the Life and Annual Members, notices were sent to the following Honorary Members: Charles Francis Adams, Shelby M. Cullom, Edmond J. James, J. Franklin Jameson and Theodore Roosevelt; 30 Corresponding members, the latter being generally historians; and to 14 historical societies on the Society's Exchange List.

At date there remain 48 members to be heard from, the majority of these being known to be absent from the city.

Some of the acknowledgments received contain words of hearty commendation of the work. Mr. Charles C. Curtis wrote: "This publication is emphatically credit-

*Inasmuch as many of the members have asked for lists of the publications in the *Collections* series, the following brief catalogue is given here,

Vol. I. "History of the English Settlement in Illinois," by GEORGE FLOWER; published at the expense of Levi Z. Leiter, 1882.

Vol. II. "Enoch Long: An Illinois Pioneer," by HARVEY REED; published at the expense of Levi Z. Leiter, 1884.

Vol. III. "The Edwards Papers," edited by ELIHU B. WASHBURN; published at the expense of Marshall Field, 1884.

Vol. IV. "Early Chicago and Illinois," edited by EDWARD G. MASON; published with the interest of the Jonathan Burr Fund, 1890.

Vol. V. "The Settlement of Illinois, 1778-1830," by ARTHUR CLINTON BOGESS, Professor of History and Political Science in Pacific University; published at the expense of Dr. O. L. Schmidt, 1908.

Vols. VI. to IX., "The Diary of James K. Polk, During His Presidency, 1845 to 1849," now first printed from the original manuscript owned by the Society; edited and annotated by MILO MILTON QUAIFE, Assistant Professor in the Lewis Institute of Technology; with an introduction by Andrew Cunningham McLaughlin, in four volumes; published for the Society by A. C. McClurg & Co., 1910.

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able to the Society and cannot fail to be appreciated by all of its members. It presages, I hope, an important departure."

The Publishers report the sale of 125 sets to November 1st. These net the Society \$1660.67, and with 40 sets donated to the press for review, and 335 sets on hand aggregate the 500 sets of the trade edition. As the book was issued late in the season it can scarcely be said to have gotten before the public until the fall, and the Publishers anticipate that there will be a steady demand for it by libraries and educational institutions.

For many years the Society has been indefatigable in its efforts to collect authentic materials relative to the history of Fort Dearborn, the annals of which are so interwoven with the fabric of Chicago's past that to withdraw them would destroy our historical background. The process of assembling this data has an added significance from the fact that this was the favorite line of endeavor of the Honorable John Wentworth, during his long period of membership in the Society. In anticipation of the centennial anniversary of the Fort Dearborn Massacre, which will occur in August, 1912, the Executive Committee, last June, authorized Dr. Quaife to use the above mentioned papers in the compilation of a volume, to be published by the Society, in commemoration of this tragic event. Some progress has already been made in the examination of the materials for this volume.

In examining the catalogue of the *Collections Series*, at the foot of p. 317, it will be noticed that between the date of publication of volume IV. and that of volume V. eighteen years had elapsed, and also that with one exception this series has been published at the expense of individual members of the Society. The reason for this is not far to seek when it is known that The Jonathan Burr Fund of \$2000 has, until now, been the only fund established for publishing purposes.

Students of the history of the Central West will be glad to know that, in all probability, the manuscripts of the Society will in the future be available to them with somewhat greater frequency, inasmuch as the income

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from two newly created funds have, by resolution of the Executive Committee, been dedicated to the editing and publishing of the Society's historical materials. The funds alluded to are The Marshall Field Fund and The James K. Polk Fund, mentioned in the Annual Report of the Executive Committee.

In addition to the Society's *Yearbook* for 1909, the published *Proceedings* have received the following additions, prepared for the press and proof read by the Librarian, in accordance with the instructions of the Publication Committee:

"The Preamble and Boundary Clause of the Illinois Constitution," by HERMAN G. JAMES, J. D., Member of the Illinois Bar, read before the Society January 18, 1910; and "The Indian as a Diplomatic Factor in the History of the Old Northwest," a paper read before the Society March 28, 1907, by ISAAC JOSLIN Cox, Professor of American History in the University of Cincinnati.

The manuscript of the latter paper was retained by the author for revision until last spring. Both of the above are now ready for distribution.

It will no doubt be pleasing to the Executive Committee to know the very unusual degree of appreciation accorded the *Yearbook*. Many collectors of Lincolniana have requested copies owing to the fact that in its pages much space is given to an account of the Society's Lincoln Centennial Celebration, held during the month of February, 1909, and to a catalogue of the exhibit at that time of manuscripts and mementoes relative to Lincoln.

Field Work—

Mr. Albert F. Scharf, whose investigations of Indian remains in this locality have contributed more to archaeological studies than have those of any other one member of the Society in late years, has recently made a study of an ancient fortification in Will county, near Joliet. He reports that in his opinion, this fort, popularly supposed to have formed a link in the cordon of French forts in Illinois, may be of Indian origin. The earthworks, now about two feet above the surrounding

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turf, clearly define a space of irregular form, 120 by 146 feet in their greatest dimensions. His notes are accompanied by a sketch of the embankment, made by Adam Comstock, of Joliet, who surveyed and platted the locality in 1894. Mr. Scharf thinks that the earthworks near Park Ridge in Cook county, if surveyed would be found to be almost identical in configuration,

On September 17th, Mr. C. F. Gunther, Judge E. O. Brown, and the Librarian were guests of the Sanitary District and the Knights of Columbus on a trip by boat to Lockport by way of the Chicago River and the Drainage Canal. The expedition was for the purpose of visiting certain sites mentioned in Marquette's Journal, as well as for examining the wonderful water-way. The now accepted site of Marquette's winter-quarters, 1674-5, at Robey Street and the river, was the first point visited. Here a landing was made and Mr. T. A. O'Shaughnessy made an interesting address on the service performed by Marquette, advancing an idea that was new to his auditors, namely, that the exploration of the Mississippi valley by French missionaries in the seventeenth century may have had a moral influence upon those of the colonists who in 1775 were doubtful of the success of the revolt against Great Britain, causing them to take courage from the fact of the asylum offered by the French civilization that had sprung up in the Mississippi valley.

On October 15th, Dr. O. L. Schmidt, Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., and the Librarian made an expedition by automobile to Bowmanville, or "Indian Village No. 1"** at the invitation of Mr. Philip C. Schupp, for the purpose of examining the relics of the Stone Age collected by him from this site, once the location of the largest Indian town in the vicinity of Chicago. The approximate population in the French regime can be estimated from a letter of St. Cosme who in 1699 visited Fathers Pinet and Binneteau at the "Mission de L'Ange Guardian des Miamis de Chicagwa", as the site of Bowmanville was then known to the Jesuits. St. Cosme writes,

"Leur maison est bâtie sur le bord de la petite rivière ayant d'un côté le Lac et de l'autre une belle et grande prairie. Le village des sauvages est plus de 100 cinquante cabanes et une lieue dans la rivière, il y a encore un autre village presque aussi grand. Ces sont tous des Miamis."

*See Scharf's *Map of Indian Trails in the Vicinity of Chicago*.

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We have the authority of Mr. Scharf for the statement that 150 cabins would house 750 persons.

Mr. Schupp's collection represents a life-time's labor of love and his exceptional opportunities for gathering, together with his well directed enthusiasm, have combined to make this the most extensive and most scientifically arranged collection in the Chicago region. After examining such part of it as was possible in one afternoon the Committee was unanimous in its opinion that Mr. Schupp has performed a service of inestimable educational value to this community, and that it is very desirable that his collection be exhibited in such a manner as will make it accessible to students. Mr. Schupp has since expressed his willingness to exhibit such portions as may be practicable in the Society's Building.

In a small booklet entitled "Constitution and By-Laws of the Historical Society of the City of Chicago," printed in 1856, we read that —

"One of the particular objects of the association shall be to encourage investigation of aboriginal remains, and, more particularly to provide for the complete and scientific exploration and survey of such aboriginal monuments as exist within the limits of this State."†

As early as 1863, in the Society's first and only report to the Governor of Illinois, Dr. Barry thus emphasized the importance of preserving the Indian mounds and their contents:

"The Society would urgently commend to the Legislature and the people of Illinois, the earliest provision for the recovery and safety of these sole traditions of a by-gone race, already fast disappearing under the plow, or becoming marred by idle or wanton hands. It would be a lasting reproach upon our intelligence and respect for the past, that these solemn mementoes, which time and the elements and human passions for ages have reverentially spared, should be permitted to disappear in an age of modern civilization, without one attempt to rescue them from premature obliteration and utter ruin."

Inasmuch as this Society was the pioneer champion of the prehistoric race in the state of Illinois, it would seem very fitting if, in these latter days, it might have the privilege of encouraging archaeological investigation.

†The Society's first Committee on Aboriginal History and Monuments was composed as follows: Messrs. J. V. Z. Blaney, W. B. Ogden, and J. H. Kinzie.

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At the present moment two methods of doing this are open:

First:—By affording local archaeologists a safe and adequate place of exhibition for their collections, and a place for holding meetings;

Second:—By co-operating to some extent with the organizations which have as their object the preservation of our local forests and natural scenery. The reason for the latter will become apparent when it is known that the forest tracts embrace within their boundaries the monuments of the Mound Builders, Indian village sites, and in some instances well defined Indian trails still untouched by the ruthless march of civilization. In this connection the following extract from a circular, issued by The Forest Preserve District Association of Cook County, is pertinent, and might almost have been taken from one of the above mentioned appeals of the Secretary of this Society:

"The conservation movement that is arousing the entire country finds our community seriously behind others in preserving the natural beauties within our own county that are suitable for healthful recreation. Other communities have already shown their aggressiveness by establishing systems of country reservations. In Cook County there are available more than 25,000 acres of woodlands which are recommended for a forest preserve, as set forth in detail in the Metropolitan Park Report of 1904. Included are the forests of Palos, Mount Forest and the Calumet region, the Skokey Marsh with its woods, the beautiful, wooded valleys of the Desplaines River, the Sag and Salt Creek, etc. These woods, ravines, valleys, waterways and open spaces deserve preservation intact because of their great natural beauty and accessibility."

It will be remembered that the Kennicott Mounds on the Desplaines river were recommended for preservation after being visited by a Committee of this Society last year.

The Society already owns three extensive collections of Indian relics, two from the Chicago region, and one from LaSalle County, besides numerous small groups from other localities in the state. These collections comprise stone and copper weapons, utensils and jewelry, pottery, bead-work, and bone ornaments. Among its mementoes of individual Indians, the wampum-belt, tobacco-pouch and paint, once the property of Chief Black

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Hawk, are perhaps of first importance, beside these there are the war-club of Ap-te-ke-sic, the portrait of Shabbona, painted from life, a bead necklace worn by the granddaughter of the latter, and a letter from Billy Caldwell, "The Sauganash," testifying to the high character of Shabbona.

The Society owns an extensive series of manuscript maps, executed by Mr. Scharf, showing in great detail every Indian trail, village and mound in this region. When funds shall be available to provide suitable cases and mountings for these interesting objects, now packed away in store-rooms, the Society will be able to offer to the rising generation of school children, and to older students, an exhibition both instructive and picturesque. A sunny room in the basement of the building could be used for the exhibit.

In the opinion of the present writer, there is no branch of the Society's work which will insure to this organization a more worthy and permanent hold upon the attention of the public than that of archaeology. This point does not require argument, for who will ever become indifferent to the subject that has experienced the peculiar thrill that comes when one holds a beautiful flint arrow-point or spear-head in the hand, or when in the woods he comes upon a blazed tree.

The following resolutions prepared by Mr. Kerfoot at the request of the Executive Committee were adopted May 22, 1910:

STARVED ROCK PARK.

Whereas:

On the south bank of the Illinois River, in LaSalle County in this State lies the historic and picturesque spot now known as Starved Rock, where in 1673 the devout Marquette with his faithful Joliet established the first mission in the country of the Illini; where in 1682 the intrepid explorers LaSalle and Tonti built the French fort Saint Louis; and where in 1769 the final and heroic stand against their aboriginal enemies was made by the last surviving braves of that gallant tribe who gave their name to our State, and

Whereas:

The historical importance and natural scenic beauties of Starved Rock are worthy to be perpetuated and preserved for the inspira-

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tion and instruction of the youth of our land and as a place of healthful recreation for the people of our State; and

Whereas:

The Legislature of the State of Illinois passed an act approved June 9, 1909, and entitled "An Act for the appointment of a commission to investigate and report upon the preservation of certain lands for public parks in the State of Illinois," and authorizing "the Governor of this State to appoint a commission of five members to be known as the 'Illinois Park Commission,' whose duties should be 'to make an investigation of Starved Rock and its contiguous territory, and to ascertain its adaptability for the purposes of a State park, and the value of the property,' and to report thereon 'to the next General Assembly, or the Forty-seventh General Assembly.'"

Now therefore be it and it is hereby

Resolved, by the Chicago Historical Society in Special Meeting assembled,

That this Society does hereby heartily commend and indorse the aforesaid legislative action, and does hereby request and urge said Legislature to take such further action and make such additional appropriations as may be proper and necessary to bring about the acquiring by the State of Illinois of said Starved Rock and so much of its surroundings as may be deemed advisable, for a public park to be maintained and preserved as above set forth.

Be it further, and it is hereby

Resolved, That a copy hereof be sent to his Honor, Governor Deneen, and to each member of the Legislature from Cook, La-Salle, Bureau and Putnam Counties, and to the President of each Historical Society, Out Door Improvement Association, Patriotic Society, and other organizations in this State, whose spirit and purposes are in sympathy with the preservation of historic places within our boundaries.

Relations with Historical Societies and Kindred Institutions—

During the year past the increase in requests of various organizations for the privilege of holding meetings in the Society's Lecture Hall, the large number of inquiries for historical information, and frequent invitations to join in various civic as well as historical activities, force the conclusion that need is being felt for the special function of this institution in the life of our city. In responding as generously as it has done to the demands made upon the Society, the Executive Committee, while never departing from the high ideals set by its predecessors, has manifested the democratic spirit that was equally enjoined by those predecessors.

In this connection the writer begs leave to quote from

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an address delivered at the Society's annual meeting November 19, 1868, by the Hon. Isaac N. Arnold:

"Permit me to add some considerations which should secure for this Institution the aid of the public. Its field of usefulness is not less broad and national than that of any similar institution in the country. . .Chicago, already so eminent in many things, aspires to become also a library centre and to irradiate the great valley of which she is the commercial representative. . .We have boasted long enough of our grain-elevators, our railroads, our trade in wheat and lumber; our business palaces; let us now have libraries, galleries of art, scientific museums, noble architecture and public parks, specimens of landscape gardening, and a local literature; otherwise there is danger that Chicago will become merely a place where ambitious young men will come to make money and achieve a fortune, and then go elsewhere to enjoy it. You must have culture, taste, beauty, art, literature, or there is danger that our city will become a town of mere traders and money-getters; rude, unlettered, hard, sharp, and grasping. Let us sow the seed generously, and, even if we do not ourselves live to gather the fruit, those who shall hereafter reap the harvest will bless the sowers. . .What is done here, at this half-way house between the two oceans, is to influence for good or evil, our whole country from sea to sea. . .Within these walls the merchant, the artisan, the statesman may come, away from the noisy world outside, and commune with the great spirits of all ages. . .Here, especially, let us provide that every student of American history may follow our nation from its feeblest beginnings, through Indian, colonial, revolutionary, and progressive annals, down to and through the recent great drama of civil war; and doing this, we shall ourselves do something worthy of being remembered."

Early in the year the Society was asked to become a charter member of a new organization to be known as "The Council for Library and Museum Extension." The object of this organization, the membership of which is limited to the chief educational, philanthropic and recreational institutions of the city, is "to bring these institutions into a closer relation to the end that their facilities shall be given the greatest efficiency." Mr. George Merryweather was appointed this Society's delegate with the Librarian as alternate. Other institutions represented in this body are the University of Chicago, The Field Museum, The Art Institute, The Academy of Science, The Board of Education, The Public Library, The John Crerar Library, Hull House, The City Club, and The Chicago School of Civics and Philanthropy. The deliberations of this body have been highly

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enlightening as to the activities of other organizations, has afforded unprecedented opportunity for knowing and being known, and in fact have constituted a clearing-house for co-operative ideas. The Council has undertaken the compilation of a *Handbook of Chicago Institutions*, and as if impelled by Mr. Arnold's warning to "money-getters," the Commercial Association has agreed to assume the expense of the undertaking as part of its propaganda for making a city intellectual as well as a city beautiful.

The Chicago Plan Committee, through Mr. Jens Jensen, last summer requested a list of historic sites in Chicago with a view to recognizing these sites in the plans for new streets. Of chief importance in the long list of sites furnished by the Society, is the Chicago river, the suggestion being that, like the Seine, it should be spanned at certain points by beautiful bridges, each a monument to a Chicago pioneer associated with the river's history—and that the bridge forming the link connecting the north and south boulevards be named from the first white men who plied its waters—the "MARQUETTE-JOLIET BRIDGE." On the occasion of Mr. Cook's lecture, Mr. F. A. Delano, a member of the Society, then Chairman of the Chicago Plan Committee, loaned the Society a set of lantern slides illustrating the City Plan, thus supplementing the Society's slides of early Chicago, the Society afterward loaning its slides to Mr. Delano for a lecture before the Association of Commerce.

The Mississippi Valley Historical Association is doing an important work, to which this Society is a contributor, in having transcribed all documents bearing upon the history of the Mississippi Valley, to be found in the archives at Paris. At the recent meeting at Iowa City, this Society was represented by Dr. Quaife. It has been decided to hold the next meeting of the Association in Evanston, Illinois, in May or June next, and this Society has been called upon to join with the Evanston Historical Society and Northwestern University in acting as hosts to the visiting Association. The headquarters will be in Evanston, but it is hoped that one all-day session

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can be held in Chicago. As some of the members of the Association will come from a great distance and inasmuch as the larger majority are scholars and workers in the history of the Middle West who will be particularly interested in this Society's collections, it will be both a pleasure and honor to have them as guests. The matter of their entertainment has been placed in the hands of the Library Committee, but inasmuch as the visitors may be numerous, the Committee will need the assistance of the members of the Society at large to make the occasion representative not only of the Society but of Chicago.

Special Exhibits—

On the occasion of his address on "The King of Beaver Island," Mr. Henry E. Legler loaned a group of imprints from the press of James Strang. These together with the Society's collection of Nauvoo imprints and the first edition of the *Book of Mormon* formed a notable exhibit.

On April 19th, when Mr. Eaton Osman lectured on Starved Rock, there were shown arrow-points and spear-heads gathered from the Rock, very possibly the actual weapons with which the last of the Illini defended themselves in 1769; also manuscripts and rare books relative to LaSalle and Tonty who nearly a century before had christened their fortress there, "Fort Saint Louis."

Special exhibitions were held on Lincoln's and Washington's birthdays and as they proved an attraction to quite a number of children it seems advisable to make these exhibitions annually, for their educational value is unquestionably great. The Society's Washingtoniana, previous to the exhibit, consisted in the main of the Charles Wilson Peale portrait of Washington, the gift of Mr. Gunther, and a razor and lancet, said to have belonged to the first president. Owing to this poverty of material an appeal was made to the patriotic societies. Some exceedingly choice relics were loaned by Mrs. Robert H. Wiles, Regent of the Daughters of 1812, and by Mrs. George B. Woodward, of the D. A. R., whose husband's grandmother, Betsy Billings Curtis, was a close friend of Martha Washington, and received these

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articles as keepsakes when George and Martha Washington were guests at the Curtis home in Boston.

Mr. David S. Wegg, a member of this Society, loaned a "Constitution Mirror" and a series of historic plates. Mrs. LaVerne W. Noyes loaned a copy of Gilbert Stuart's unfinished portrait of Washington. The generous response which met the Society's request for these loans was gratefully appreciated. Several Washington portraits and relics were given to the Society after the Exhibition and it is hoped that by another year a more representative display can be made.

A special exhibit of views of Early Chicago comprising the "Ivy Green Series," 1803-1839, loaned by Mr. William H. Gale, and color-prints of Chicago in the 60's loaned by Dr. O. L. Schmidt, drew many visitors to the Reading Room on the evening of Mr. Cook's lecture, where was shown the Society's collection of early programs of theatres and concerts (one of the latter with the caption "Frank Lumbard's Concert Troop from Chicago"), also many decorated invitations to balls, and even an antiquated valentine dating from the early days of Chicago.

Attendance—

The number of visitors to the library and collections, exclusive of attendance at special functions, such as receptions, lectures, etc., is as follows:

	READERS		VISITORS		TOTALS
	Men	Women	Men	Women	
1st quarter,	180	25	196	62	463
2d quarter,	200	93	689	576	1558
3d quarter,	129	54	374	164	721
4th quarter,	108	44	324	178	654
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	617	216	1583	980	3396

Total Readers, 833. Total Visitors, 2563.

The largest attendance for one day was February 22, when 117 visitors were recorded.

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The total attendance at the nine special functions of the year was 1270.

Applications filed for books record 2210 volumes specifically called for. A classification of the application blanks shows the relative demand in the different classes of works to be as follows:

Chicago history, geography, etc.....	579
Illinois history, geography, etc.....	495
Chicago and Illinois newspapers.....	400
“Old Northwest” and Mississippi Valley..	269
Biography.....	76
Manuscripts.....	92
Indians and antiquities.....	73
Reference and miscellaneous works.....	226

Among notable visitors and early residents who have signed the Visitors' Register are the following:

Alice Barbara Stahl, Galena, Illinois, daughter of Frederick Stahl, who was present at the signing of the Indian treaty at Chicago in 1833.

Mary Alice Lewis, daughter of Chauncey Lewis, who was present at the Pottawattami treaty.

A. N. Waterman, who passed through Chicago in the fall of 1854.

W. J. Wahl, great-grandson of Josette La Framboise and Jean Baptiste Beaubien, and of Alexander Robinson; grandson of Ellen Marie Beaubien and Joseph Robinson.

C. N. Gould, University of Chicago.

D. M. Swiney, who came here in 1865.

Camille Enlart, Director Trocadero sculptural Museum, Paris.

Baron de Saint-Laurent, Consul of France, at Chicago.

Daniel Fish, Minneapolis, Minn., collector of Lincolniana.

Samuel Sewall Greeley, Winnetka, Ill., who came to Chicago October 11, 1853.

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- Gaillard Hunt, Washington, D. C.
- J. McCan Davis, Springfield, Ill.
- Tanis B. Van Wyck, Constantine, Mich., who came to Chicago in 1852.
- Justin H. Smith, Boston, Mass.
- Orrington C. Foster, son of George F. Foster, who came to Chicago in 1836.
- John L. Clark, Ottawa, Ill., who came to Kaskaskia in 1834, present owner of the site of LaVantum, Father Marquette's Illinois Mission.
- John F. Eberhart, who came to Chicago April 15, 1855.
- Julius Guy Lumbard, who came to Chicago, April, 1849.
- Mrs. Frank Lumbard, who came to Chicago in 1851.
- Jacob Rehm, arrived in Chicago July 4, 1840.
- Horatio Loomis Wait, who came to Chicago May 1, 1856.
- Mrs. W. H. French, daughter of James H. Bowen, who came to Chicago April 15, 1857.
- Edward C. Wentworth, who arrived in Chicago November 6, 1859.
- Christopher Barnhart, who arrived in Chicago December 25, 1851.
- Franklin Waldo Smith, born in Chicago May 19, 1849.
- Mrs. Sarah Jennette Bushnell Ashton, who arrived in Chicago September 7, 1855.
- Henry E. Hamilton, son of Colonel Richard Hamilton, came to Chicago February 25, 1840.
- Thomas Foley, who arrived in Chicago March 6, 1854.
- Warren Upham, Secretary and Librarian, Minnesota Historical Society.
- Esther Buel, daughter of Henry Buel, who came to Chicago in 1852.
- Emma Anderson Norland, daughter of Rev. Paul Anderson, who came to Chicago in 1842, and Martha Lawson, who came in 1839.

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E. B. Stickley, New Hampton, Iowa, great-grandson of Capt. William Wells.

Kate Mills Boyd and Lottie L. Mills, daughters of John A. Mills who arrived in Chicago 1851 and lived in Light House Cottage, Fort Dearborn.

James M. DeWitt, New York City, one of the original Zouave Cadets, attending the 50th anniversary of the old company, October 10, 1910.

Clarence S. Paine, Secretary, Nebraska State Historical Society, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Isaac Joslin Cox, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Mrs. Belden F. Culver, daughter of Rev. William Barry, who was mainly instrumental in founding the Historical Society, 1856.

Agnes Goodwin Culver, granddaughter of Rev. William Barry.

Classes from the public schools visited the Society more numerously than ever before owing to the wise arrangements made by Mrs. Young, the Superintendent of Schools. For cultivating patriotism, alike in native as in foreign born children, the Society's collections are of the highest value, a fact that is coming to be appreciated by educators and settlement workers, as will be seen from the following:

Faith E. Smith, Director, and 6 members of Training class, Chicago Public Library.

Isabel A. Johnstone, 28 pupils of the eighth grade, William H. Ray School.

Albert S. Wilson and senior students of Library School of University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois.

Eleanor Reese Dunn, Principal, and 20 eighth grade pupils of the Hancock School.

Maude I. Steele and 20 pupils of the eighth grade, Ray School.

Victor Earle Harris and eight grade pupils of the Eugene Field School.

Kent G. Chetlain, 8th grade, Eugene Field School.

Homer E. Robertson, eighth grade, Eugene Field School.

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Forrest B. Kent, eighth grade, Eugene Field School.
Donald Bohn, eighth grade, Eugene Field School.
Viola G. Canty and 17 eighth grade pupils, Curtis
School.
Alice M. Boyle and 17 eighth grade pupils, Curtis
School.
E. B. Smith and 25 pupils, Revere School.
Arthur O. Rape and 29 pupils of Burke School.
Rose C. Quinn and 32 eighth grade pupils, L. Nettel-
horst School.
M. R. Mather and 34 pupils, Scanlan School.
W. H. Campbell and 40 pupils of the eighth grade,
Wentworth School.
Jeannette Tidball and 33 pupils of the eighth grade,
Morse School.
Dorothy R. Knowles and class of 35 from Normal
Practice School.
Ethelwyn Charles and class from John Marshall High
School.
Adele Lackner and class of 35 U. of C. Elementary
School.
Dora Wells and Extension class, Chicago Teachers'
College.

Cataloguing—

As the portion of the Society's collections pertinent
to its field had at the close of last year been entered in
the Author Catalogue, and inasmuch as all materials
were classified and accessible to the public, the Librarian
felt justified in recommending that attention be turned
to other branches of the work before proceeding to make
an index of the library by subjects. The total number of
cards now in the general catalogue is 24,083, this in-
cludes the catalogue of periodicals. The Portrait Index
contains 10,115 entries and the Index of Illinois Views
2695. The catalogue of lantern slides and photographic
negatives now contains 350 entries.

Binding—

During March over 400 volumes of leather bound
books, most of them in very poor condition, were treated
with a substance for renewing and prolonging the life
of leather. This substance is furnished by Miss Janet C.

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Lewis, of New York, who has applied it with very satisfactory results in the Boston Athaneum, Boston Public, Metropolitan Museum of Art, and J. Pierpont Morgan libraries. After several months the condition of the books seems to demonstrate the validity of the claim that this substance has a tendency to overcome the dry rot in leather. Unquestionably it toughens the fiber. The cost of the process is very moderate and the treatment has to be repeated only once in two or three years. It seems very desirable in a library of this kind to preserve the original bindings as these add to the appearance and value of the books.

The Illinois Session Laws and the Journals of the Senate have been rebound in leather with blue cartridge paper boards, the original labels being retained to preserve the appearance of age.

The early volumes of the *Democrat*, 1836-1856, are being repaired and rebound, brown canvass being used for this purpose on account of durability. It may be recalled here with propriety that the Society owes its file of this invaluable paper to the indefatigable industry and energy with which Hon. John Wentworth labored to replace the file destroyed by the Great Fire.

Accessions—

The additions to the Library by gift and purchase since November 1, 1909, are as follow:

93 manuscripts,	1225 pamphlets,	341 miscellaneous,
736 volumes	37 maps,	2431 total.

Of the 2431 items recorded in the Accession Record 2131 were donations.

In the classified list of accessions that follows the collections headed "Manuscripts," and "Works of Lewis and Clark," comprise the most important accessions of the year. However, certain other sections deserve special mention. The heading "Pioneer Churches and Clergy" was made necessary by the large acces-

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sions of reports on missions to the Indians, narratives of pioneer preachers, etc. Strange as it may seem these publications contain a mass of material relative to the Indians and settlement of the West. Dr. Jameson calls them the "American Acta Sanctorum," and in his address as president of the American Historical Association, in 1906, made a strong appeal for their preservation. As usual the heading "Lincolniana" has a goodly number of titles, as has that of "Canada," this last mainly owing to the efforts of Dr. Schmidt to round out the Society's meagre collection in this important field. Scattered through the accessions will be noticed many scarce and valuable works from the library of the late Ezra B. McCagg.

Attention is directed to several individual items of more than passing interest. By far the most valuable of these is a great wall-map, 4 x 7½ feet in size, showing Chicago in 1857. The word map does not adequately describe this treasure, for it is more than a plat, it is mechanically a topographical view drawn in perspective. It is the work of I. T. Palmatary and is published by Braunhold & Sonne. In this view is shown every building, street, grass plat and tree within the area bounded by the Lake, Archer Avenue, Union Park and North Avenue. This is a priceless treasure, for it gives back to Chicago, as it were, a portrait of her long lost youth before the Fire, for in 1857 she was but a maiden of twenty summers' corporate existence. Other copies of this map are extant, but as far as the writer knows these have all been varnished and are so discolored that much of their detail, including the index below the lithograph, has become obliterated. This copy was purchased from a dealer in Brixlegg, Tyrol, and is as fresh and new as though printed yesterday. Mr. Gunther donated half of the purchase price and Dr. Schmidt has had it handsomely framed. Some of the interesting features de-

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picted are the palatial home of William B. Ogden, with its Greek-pillared portico, occupying the square bounded by Ontario, Cass, Erie, and Rush streets; occupying the square just east of this, the home of Walter L. Newberry, with elaborate gardens; and nearby the homes of Isaac N. Arnold, and the Rumseys. Bounded by Ohio, Wolcott, State, Ontario, and Cass is the home of H. H. McGee, surrounded with lilac hedgerows.* The Court House stands in a square of marvelous grass plats and winding paths, while all around are handsome trees. All of the North Side and Michigan and Wabash Avenues are so embowered in trees that Chicago's legend *Urbs in Horto* seems well chosen.

Almost coincident with the acquisition of this map, a book was issued which rehabilitates for us the next following decade in Chicago's history. This work entitled:

“Bygone Days in Chicago: Recollections of the ‘Garden City’ of the Sixties,” by Frederick Francis Cook,

is such a work as few if any persons living to-day could produce. Mr. Cook, who now resides in New York, was a reporter on the *Chicago Times* in the sixties, and to his intimate knowledge of passing events, adds a fine sense of local color and literary values. He should have the gratitude of every loyal Chicagoan for the valuable service he has performed, in that he has given us a picture of our city in the war period with almost photographic distinctness, and yet with a touch so poetic that we do not once forget that it was of this period that Walt Whitman wrote “When lilacs last in the door-yard bloomed.”

To Mrs. W. W. Gordon (Nellie Kinzie), of Savannah, Georgia, the Society is indebted for a booklet of

*The home of the late Hon. Lambert Tree, whose wife was Miss McGee, stands in this garden spot to-day, and near it is one of the original lilac bushes grown gnarled with age.

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extraordinary interest, entitled "John Kinzie, The Father of Chicago," in which she has corrected several popular errors in regard to her grandfather.

It is fitting that acknowledgment should be made here of the gift of a complete file of the *Proceedings of the Illinois Press Association*, from 1866 to date. As the meetings of this body were held in nearly every town of importance from Chicago to Cairo, and were addressed by nearly every veteran newspaper editor in the state, this file is an invaluable source for the history of the press of Illinois. The donor is Mr. J. W. Clinton, of Polo, Illinois, for thirty-five years, 1865-1901, owner and editor of the *Ogle County Press*.

A little book entitled "Seth Jones, of New Hampshire," by Edward A. Ellis, is of only the slightest interest to this Society as far as its text is concerned, but has a certain bibliographical interest in it that it was one of the first "dime novels" published. This class of literature had its rise about sixty years ago and dealt in the main with piracy and Indian captivities. The book above mentioned is better, one imagines, than most of its class. It is the story of a scout of wonderful sagacity. Its significance for the Society lies in the fact that this little volume in 1862 fell into the hands of Albert F. Scharf, then a small lad, living in Peru, Illinois. The story gave him his first lesson in forest-lore, and led him in later life to trace the Indian trails in Illinois, which he has so skillfully mapped for this Society.

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An event of no small importance to the Society and to students of the Indian languages is the acquisition of a copy of a manuscript known as the "French-Illinois Dictionary." Pilling in his *Bibliography of the Algonquian Languages* devotes three columns to a description of this curious compilation noting the opinions of many scholars as to its authorship, which, following Shea, he assigns to the learned Père Joseph Ignatius LeBoulanger, *S. J.* a missionary to the Illinois Indians. Father Marest in his letter, dated Kaskaskia, 9th November, 1712, and published in the *Lettres Edifiantes*, states that the work

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was begun by Father Gravier, the founder of the mission to the Illinois. This copy was purchased from Judge John G. Henderson, of Chicago, who writes that he had the copy made by Mrs. John Moses, the wife of a former secretary of the Chicago Historical Society, from a copy transcribed from the original by John Gilmary Shea, who began its publication in 1865, but had only completed eight pages when the manuscript was withdrawn from his possession.

An important addition to the Society's collection of papers of Gen. James Wilkinson are four letters, the gift of Dr. O. L. Schmidt. They are as follow:

To Lt. Col. Lee, dated Trevose, June 10, 1782,

" Henry Lee, Junr., dated (New Orleans) March, 1816,

" Gov. Holmes, dated N. Orleans, September 14th, 1812,

" George Gaines, dated Fort Stoddard, November 12th, 1812.

Dr. Schmidt also presents a letter from Gen. William Henry Harrison to William Eustis, Secretary of War, dated Fort Wayne, 30 October, 1809. This is in the handwriting of Nathan Heald. At the time this letter was written, General Harrison was Territorial Governor of Indiana, which up to February of that year had included Illinois. Nathan Heald commanded Fort Dearborn at the time of the Massacre. The character and services of Captain William Wells the martyred hero of the Massacre form the subject of the letter.

The Honorable Fernando Jones has presented his "Old Fort Dearborn" notebook to the Society. This was compiled many years ago at the cost of much labor and patience on the part of Mr. Jones. It contains signed statements by early residents most of whom have long since passed away, among them Hon. H. W. Blodgett, Alexander Beaubien, William S. Beaubien, Benjamin Jones, Samuel S. Greeley, Asa I. Bradley, Henry H. Handy (born in 1838 on Fort Dearborn Reservation). Mrs. Jane Myrick, John M. Cary. The last mentioned states:

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I came to Chicago in the fall of 1836, passed along the sand hills very often and have picked up pieces of gun-locks and stocks, and other relics in the vicinity of 18th Street near the cottonwood tree.

Mr. Jones' own statement is sworn before William H. Bradley, Clerk of the Circuit Court, 27th day of March, 1890.

From Mr. Frank G. Beaubien has been received a typewritten copy of a manuscript of great interest entitled, "The Beaubien or Cuillerier Family of Detroit." The manuscript was compiled by Mr. C. M. Burton, of Detroit, a Corresponding Member of this Society, who has compiled a genealogy of the Kinzie family. Mr. Burton states that the Cuillerier family took the name Beaubien in the early part of the eighteenth century. He also records the claim that the founder of the family in America was a companion of LaSalle. Further on he says: "There are no more interesting characters in the entire family than the two brothers Jean Baptiste and Mark Beaubien. They were born at Detroit [in 1787 and 1800 respectively]." The first mentioned is known as the second permanent settler of Chicago, having arrived here in 1805, and later became one of Chicago's greatest citizens. Mr. Burton continues: "Jean Baptiste Beaubien's first known wife was Mah-naw-noqua, an Ottawa Indian, sister of the Chief Shabbona. She died in 1812. The next wife was Josette, daughter of François Laframbois." The last mentioned lady was the owner of the magnificent black lace veil presented to the Society last year. A son of the above, William S. Beaubien, born in 1836, married for his first wife Mary E. Newberry and second Minnie Newberry, of Detroit. It is interesting to note the Christian names of the Beaubien descendants, for by them one may trace the business and social relations, which bound together the families of the little settlement. In the earlier genealogy the names had all been French—Medore, Thérèse, François, Napoléon, Alexis. After coming to Chicago we find names reminiscent of the Whistlers, the Kinzies, the Newberrys, for example William, Gwenthellyn, Eleanor, Oliver, Julia, and John Wentworth.

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Thus grows the collection of family histories in manuscript which have been prepared for and presented to the Society. The list now includes the lines of Whistler, Helm, Kinzie, and Beaubien. If the other "first families" can be induced to have similar records prepared the Society may be able to add a volume of genealogies to its Collection Series which would be a companion volume to the one on Fort Dearborn for which materials have been collected.

From Mr. Henry E. Hamilton has been received Gurdon S. Hubbard's autobiography written in the well known hand of "The Old Pioneer," as Mr. Hubbard was affectionately called by those who knew him in his latter days. This invaluable record is inscribed on the blank pages of an old ledger and contains matter that has never appeared in print. The account begins with Mr. Hubbard's birth, which occurred in 1802, and describes his arrival at Chicago in 1818, as a member of the Illinois Brigade of the American Fur Company. The above facts are sufficient to indicate the interest which the document has. No personal record has come down to us from the pioneers that has more weight of authority than this one, for Mr. Hubbard speaks of primitive conditions from his own experience, was a man of affairs without a superior in his time, and was noted for his remarkable regard for truth.

Accompanying the Journal is a letter to him from his father-in-law, Ahira Hubbard, dated Chicago, July 15th, 1843, referring to an epidemic of incendiarism, the ware-house of Mr. Kinzie being one of numerous important buildings thus destroyed. The following is an extract from a letter to Mrs. Gurdon S. Hubbard written by Hon. John Dean Caton after Mr. Hubbard's death:

I had known him since 1834 and soon learned to appreciate his great worth, his sterling integrity and wonderful business capacity. At that time he was the most perfect model of physical manhood I ever knew, with extraordinary strength and activity equally extraordinary. His other great excellencies have been so well and so often dwelt upon that I will omit to mention them now, only that I approve of the best and the most that has been said of him.

Mr. A. G. Woodward, of Danville, has presented to the Society ten documents relative to postal matters in

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Illinois, 1828 to 1845. These papers are selected from a very extensive collection of such materials which Mr. Woodward inherited from his maternal grandfather, Amos Williams, who was Postmaster at Danville.

General S. Lockwood Brown, son of William H. Brown, the Society's first president, presented his father's commission as 2nd lieutenant in the 13th New York Cavalry, signed by Dewitt Clinton, May 30, 1818; also a copy of the *Illinois Intelligencer*, published at Vandalia, May 28, 1822, containing the announcement of the marriage of William H. Brown to Miss Harriet Caroline Seward, daughter of Colonel Seward, at Bloomington, Montgomery County. At the same time Mrs. S. Lockwood Brown presented to the Society a large number of souvenirs of Washington life, 1860-1880, also several land patents, and commissions granted to her father, James Brodie, signed by Thomas Ford, Thomas Carlin and other early Governors of Illinois. With the above mentioned is a letter to President Lincoln from A. Chester, dated Washington, May 30, 1863, asking for appointment as Examiner in the Patent Office. On the back of the letter is the following characteristic endorsement in President Lincoln's own hand:—

I am quite willing, and should even be glad to appoint Mr. Chester an Examiner in the Patent Office, if there be a vacancy, and the appointment proved agreeable to the Secretary of the Interior and the Commissioner of Patents.

May 30, 1863.

A. LINCOLN.

With the above is a letter from the same correspondent, dated 15, January 1863, and noting the enclosure of a letter from Hon. I. N. Arnold, advocating the restoration to service of a Captain Ripley, and a Lieutenant Pike. This letter is endorsed:

The reports which I have, from the Judge Advocate General, are adverse to Capt. Ripley and Lieut. Pike.

January 16, 1863.

A. LINCOLN.

The document envelope enclosing the above is addressed to Mr. Chester in Lincoln's hand and bears his frank.

From Mr. Robert T. Lincoln have been received the following copies of letters, the originals of which are in his possession:

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From Mrs. D. P. Livermore to President Lincoln, dated Chicago, October 11, 1863, requesting the gift of the "original manuscript of the proclamation of emancipation," to be sold and the money applied to the fund being raised for the Sanitary Commission by the patriotic women of the Northwest. Mrs. Livermore ingenuously adds "There would seem to be great appropriateness in this gift to Chicago....but if it be not possible, then allow us to ask for some other simple gift, from Mrs. Lincoln and yourself—sufficient to show that you are cognizant of our efforts and are interested in them."

From Isaac N. Arnold to President Lincoln, dated Washington, October 13, 1863, emphasizing the above request and adding that after the sale the document would be "deposited in the Historical Society of Chicago, where it would have peculiar interest as coming from one whom the Northwest holds in highest honor and respect."

From President Lincoln to the "Ladies having in charge the North Western Fair for the Sanitary Commission, Chicago, Illinois, dated Washington, October 26, 1863, enclosing "the original draft of the Emancipation proclamation."

The Commercial Club of Chicago has deposited with this Society one of its most valued relics. This is the original manuscript of a poem by Oliver Wendell Holmes, entitled, "Chicago." It was read by the author upon the occasion of the visit of the Commercial Club of Chicago to the Commercial Club of Boston, in 1879. The poem contains eight stanzas and is framed in wood from the "Boston Elm Tree." The present writer has been told that the poet after reading the verses promised the manuscript to a member of the Chicago Historical Society. Members of this Society, it would seem, have never been backward in asking for what would add to the prestige of the Chicago Historical Society.

The most curious manuscript received by the Society during the year is that entitled "JOURNAL OR LOG BOOK OF HIS MAJESTIES ARMED SCHOONER DUNMORE, CAPTAIN ALEX'R HARROW COMMANDER." The particular interest of this Log-Book is that the "Dunmore" was a British cruiser on the Great Lakes, 1791-1792, and recalls the strained relations existing between England and the United States after the Treaty of Paris, and indeed until the Webster-Asburton Treaty limited the number of armed cruisers that might be maintained by each of the countries to two.

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A manuscript biography of Rensalear Lafayette Holdridge, presented to the Society by Mr. H. J. Mies, of Saunemin, Illinois, is valuable because it records the experience of one more early pioneer. When Mr. Holdridge was one year old his parents emigrating to this state in a prairie schooner, paused on October, 1830, at Fort Dearborn, in their journey to La Salle County. There they located in time to experience the celebrated "big snow" of December of that year. This storm was so protracted that the food supply ran low and the family subsisted for four weeks on corn ground in a coffee mill. Mr. Holdridge grew to manhood in La Salle County, passing through the experiences common to the settlers of a new country, breaking prairie sod with ox-teams, splitting rails for fences, and herding cattle. He hauled grain and drove live stock to Chicago before the days of railroads. He is described by Mr. Mies as a man of rare ability and public spirit who has held many positions of trust and honor. The above summary is given place here because it emphasizes the type of man who has made Illinois.

From Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., has been received the autograph of U. S. Grant, inscribed upon the visiting-card of Mr. Samuel H. Kerfoot, Sr., while the reception, given in honor of General Grant, was in progress in the parlors of the Palmer House, November 13, 1879. Mr. Kerfoot was an active member of the Citizens Executive Committee that arranged for this historic event. Mr. S. H. Kerfoot, Jr., also contributes a description of "Starved Rock and its vicinity," written after a visit to this romantic spot in July, 1907, that may well inspire reverence for its historic associations.

Rev. Albert E. Wells, a Corresponding Member, at the request of the Librarian, prepared and presented to the Society a manuscript account of the Rev. Charles Robinson, Jr., and his family, who migrated to Hancock County, Illinois, in 1823. The writer, who is a grandson of Charles Robinson, was born on a farm that later became the site of the Mormon town of Nauvoo, and at the time of the expulsion of the Mormons from Illinois, his father elected to go with them, leaving his wife, who refused to accompany him.

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LIST OF WORKS ON THE LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION
PRESENTED BY
CHARLES H. CONOVER.*

JEFFERSON'S^V MESSAGE

1806

Message from the President of the United States, communicating Discoveries made in exploring the Missouri, Red River, and Washita, by Captains Lewis and Clark, Doctor Sibley, and Mr. Dunbar; with a Statistical Account of the countries adjacent. Read in Congress, February 19, 1806. New York: Printed by Hopkins and Seymour, and sold by G. F. Hopkins. No. 118, Pearl Street, 1806, 8°.

1807

Travels in the Interior Parts of America; communicating Discoveries made in exploring the Missouri, Red River, and Washita, by Captains Lewis and Clark, Doctor Sibley, and Mr. Dunbar; with a Statistical Account of the Countries adjacent. As laid before the Senate, by the President of the United States. In February, 1806, and never before published in Great Britain. Printed for Richard Phillips, 6, Bridge Street, Blackfriars, London, by J. G. Barnard, 57, Snow-hill, 1807. 8°.

COUNTERFEIT PUBLICATIONS

1809

The Travels of Cpts. Lewis & Clarke, by order of the Government of the United States, performed in the years 1804, 1805 & 1806, being upwards of three thousand miles, from St. Louis, by way of the Missouri and Columbia Rivers, to the Pacific-Ocean. . . To which is subjoined, A Summary of the Statistical view of the Indian Nations, from the Official Communication of Meriwether Lewis. Embellished with a Map of the Country inhabited by the Western tribes of Indians, and five Engravings of Indian Chiefs. Philadelphia: Published by Hubbard Lester, 1809. Price 1 dollar 62½ cts. 12°.

*Certain works duplicated in the Society's collection, and therefore returned to Mr. Conover, are not listed.

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COUNTERFEIT PUBLICATIONS

1812

Die Reisen der Capitaine Lewis und Clarke; unternommen auf Befehl der Regierung der Vereinigten Staaten in den Jahren 1804, 1805 and 1806, über eine Landerstrecke von mehr als 3000 Meilen, von St. Louis, auf dem Missouri und Columbia, nach dem stillen Meer. . . Samt einer statistischen Uebersicht der Indianer Nationen, aus dem Official Bericht von Meriwether Lewis, [Mit Abbildungen Indianischer Könige.] Friedrichstadt: Gedruckt bey M. Bartgis. 1812. 12°.

For note see p. 49 in the preliminary editions of the Report.

1840

The Journal of Lewis and Clarke, to the Mouth of the Columbia River beyond The Rocky Mountains. In the Years 1804-5, & 6. Giving a faithful description of the river Missouri and its source. . . New Edition, with Notes. Revised, corrected, and illustrated with numerous wood cuts. To which is added a complete dictionary of the Indian tongue. Dayton, Ohio. Published and sold by B. F. Ells. John Wilson, Printer, 1840. 16°.

GASS

1808

A Journal of the Voyages and Travels of a Corps of Discovery, under the Command of Captain Lewis and Captain Clarke, of the Army of the United States: from the mouth of the Missouri River, through the Interior Parts of North America, to the Pacific Ocean: during the years 1804, 1805, & 1806. Containing An Authentic Relation of the most interesting Transactions during the expedition: A Description of the Country: And an Account of its Inhabitants, Soil, Climate, Curiosities, and Vegetables and Animal Productions. By Patrick Gass, one of the Persons employed in the Expedition. Pittsburgh: Printed for David M'Keehan. London: Reprinted for J. Budd, Bookseller to His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, Pall-Mall. 1808. 8°.

1810

Voyage des Capitaines Lewis et Clarke, Depuis l'embouchure du Missouri, jusqu'à l'entrée de la Columbia dans l'Océan Pacifique; fait dans les années 1804, 1805

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LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION

GASS

1810

et 1806. . . Rédigé en Anglais par Patrice Gass, Employé dans l'Expédition; Et traduit en Français par A. J. N. Lallemant, l'un des Secrétaire de la Marine. Avec des Notes, deuz Lettres du Capitaine Clarke, et une Carte gravée par J. B. Tardieu. A Paris, *Chez Arthus-Bertrand, Libraire, rue Hautefeuille, n° 23.* 1810. 8°.

1810

A Journal of the Voyages and Travels of a Corps of Discovery, under the command of Capt. Lewis and Capt. Clarke of the army of the United States, from the mouth of the river Missouri through the interior parts of North America to the Pacific Ocean, During the Years 1804, 1805 and 1806. . . By Patrick Gass, one of the persons employed in the expedition. With geographical and explanatory notes. Second edition—with six engravings [Copy-Right secured according to Law.] Philadelphia: Printed for Mathew Carey, No. 122, Market Street. 1810. 12°.

1811

Journal of the Voyages and Travels of a Corps of Discovery, Under the command of Capt. Lewis and Capt. Clarke of the Army of the United States, from the mouth of the river Missouri through the interior parts of North America to the Pacific Ocean, During the Years 1804, 1805, and 1806. . . By Patrick Gass, one of the persons employed in the expedition. With geographical and explanatory Notes. Third edition—With six engravings. [Copyright secured according to law.] Printed for Mathew Cary, No. 122 Market Street. 1811. 12°.

1814

Tagebuch einer Entdeckungs-Reise durch Nord-America, von der Mündung des Missouri an bis zum Einflus Columbia in den stillen Ocean, gemacht in den Jahren 1804, 1805 und 1806, auf Befel der Regierung Vereinigten Staaten, von den beiden Capitans Lewis und Clarke. Uebersetzt von Ph. Ch. Weyland. Mit einer Charte. Weimar, im Verlage des H. S. privil. Landes-Industrie-Comptoirs, 1814. 8°.

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LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION

GASS

1847

Lewis and Clarke's Journal to the Rocky Mountains in the Years 1804,-5,-6; as related by Patrick Gass, one of the officers in the expedition. New Edition with numerous engravings. Dayton, Published by Els, Claflin & Co. 1847. 12°.

GENUINE HISTORY

1814

History of the Expedition under the command of Captains Lewis and Clark, to the Sources of the Missouri, thence across the Rocky Mountains and down the River Columbia to the Pacific Oceau. Performed during the years 1804-5-6. By order of the Government of the United States. Prepared for the press by Paul Allen, Esquire. In two volumes. Vol. I. [II.] Philadelphia: Published by Bradford and Inskeep; and Abm. H. Inskeep. New York, J. Maxwell, Printer. 1814. 2 vols. 8°.

1814

Travels to the Source of the Missouri River and across the American Continent to the Pacific Ocean. Performed by Order of the Government of the United States, in the years 1804, 1805 and 1806. By Captains Lewis and Clarke. Published from the Official Report, and illustrated by a map of the route, and other maps. London: Printed for Longman, Hurst, Rees, Orme and Brown, Paternoster-Row. 1814. 4°.

1817

Travels to the Source of the Missouri River, and across the American Continent to the Pacific Ocean. Performed by Order of the Government of the United States in the years 1804, 1805, and 1806. By Captains Lewis and Clarke. Published from the Official Report, and illustrated by a map of the route, and other maps. A new edition, in three volumes. Vol. I. [II.] [III.] London: Printed for Longman, Hurst, Rees, Orme, and Brown, Paternoster Row. 1817. 3 volumes. 8°.

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LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION

GENUINE HISTORY

1816-1818

Reize naar de Bronnen van den Missouri, en door het vaste Land van America naar de Zuidzee. Gedaan op last van de Regering der Vereenigde Staten van America, in de jaren 1804, 1805, en 1806. Door de Kapiteins Lewis en Clarke. Met eene Kaart. Uit het Engelsch vertaald door N. G. Van Kampen. Eerste [Tweede] [Derde en Laatste] Deel. [Star] Te Dordrecht, bij A. Blussé & Zoon. 1816. 3 vols. 8°.

1902

History of the Expedition under the command of Captains Lewis and Clark to the sources of the Missouri, across the Rocky Mountains, down the Columbia River to the Pacific in 1804-6. A reprint of the edition of 1814, to which all the members of the expedition contributed, with maps. In three volumes. *New Amsterdam Book Company*, Publishers, New York, 1902. 3 vols. 8°.

Note.—No. 44 of 200 numbered and signed copies.

1904

Original Journals of the Lewis and Clark Expedition. 1804-1806, printed from the original manuscripts in the Library of the American Philosophical Society. . . together with manuscript material from other sources. Now for the first time published in full and exactly as written; edited by Reuben Gold Thwaites. New York, *Dodd, Mead & Company*, 1902-4. 7 vols. in 14, and Atlas. f°.

Note.—No. 64 of large paper edition limited to 200 sets on Van Gelder hand-made paper, extra illustrated.

MISCELLANEA

1805

Journal of the Senate of the United States of America, being the first session of the Ninth Congress, begun and held in the City of Washington, December 2, 1805. Washington, printed by Gales & Seaton, 1821. 8°.

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LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION

MISCELLANEA

1806

Journal of the Senate of the United States of America, being the second session of the Ninth Congress begun and held at the City of Washington, December 1, 1806. Washington, printed by Gales & Seaton, 1821. 8°.

1806

Proposals by C. & A. Conrad & Co. for publishing The History of the Expedition of Captains Lewis & Clarke through the Continent of North America. 4 p. 8°.

Binder's title "Prospectus."

1548

In the Senate of the United States, January 20, 1848. Submitted and ordered to be printed. Mr. Westcott made the following Report: The Committee of Claims, to whom was referred the petition of David Whelby, report: [text of the report] 8°. (30th Congress 1st Sess. Senate. Rep. Com. 37.)

1848

In the Senate of the United States, January 20, 1848, substituted and ordered to be printed. Mr. Wescott made the following Report. The Committee of Claims, to whom was referred the petition of David Whelby, report... (30th Congress. Senate. Report, no. 37.)

1852

Patrick Gass [To accompany bill H. R. No. 152.] January 29, 1852; Mr. G. W. Thompson, from the Committee on Private Land Claims, made the following Report... (32d Congress, 1st session, H. of Reps. Rep. no. 56.)

1882

Donations of Land and Special Grants to June 30, 1880: Miscellaneous Donations.

Land Office, Rept. vol. III., chapter IX. to June 30, 1882.

1883

Acquisition by Purchase, Conquest and Treaty, of Territory to the National and Public Domain by the United States, from 1803 to 1867; The Louisiana Purchase from France...

Land Office, Rept. vol. III., chapter IV. to December 1, 1883.

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LEWIS AND CLARK EXPEDITION

MISCELLANEA

1893

Description of the Original Manuscript Journals and Field Notebooks of Lewis and Clark, on which was based Biddle's History of the Expedition of 1804-6, and which are now in the possession of the American Philosophical Society in Philadelphia. 8°. By Dr. Elliott Coues, Washington, D. C. (Read before the American Philosophical Society, January 20, 1893.)

1894

The New Found Journal of Charles Floyd, a sergeant under Captains Lewis and Clark. By James Davie Butler. From Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society, at the Semi-annual Meeting. Held in Boston, April 25, 1894. Worcester, Mass., U. S. A. *Press of Charles Hamilton*, 311 Main Street. 1894. 8°.

1897

In Memoriam Sergeant Charles Floyd; Report of the Floyd Memorial Association, prepared by Elliott Cones, "Resurgam," Sioux City, *Press of Perkins Bros. Co.*, 1897. 8°.

1898

The Plants of Lewis and Clark's Expedition across the Continent, 1804-1806. By Thomas Meehan.

NOTE: Forms pp. 12-49 of "Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia," 1898. Binder's title, "The Plants of Lewis and Clark Expedition."

1901

Lewis and Clark. Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, by William R. Lighton. [Printer's mark.] Boston and New York. Houghton, Mifflin and Company. *The Riverside Press*, Cambridge, 1901. 16°.

1901

In Memoriam Sergeant Charles Floyd; Second Report of the Floyd Memorial Association, prepared by the Committee on Publication, Sioux City, *Perkins Bros. Co.* 1901. 8°.

1902

The Lewis and Clark Expedition, by William Harvey Miner, "The Literary Collector," vol. III., March, 1902.

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MISCELLANEA

1902

The History of the The Louisiana Purchase, by James K. Hosmer, New York, *D. Appleton and Company*. 1902. 12°.

1903

The Louisiana Purchase and the Exploration, early History and Building of the West. By Ripley Hitchcock. Boston: *Ginn & Co.*, 1903. 12°.

1904

The Trail of Lewis and Clark. A Story of the Great Exploration Across the Continent, 1804-06; with a description of the Old Trail, based upon Actual Travel over it, and of the Changes Found a Century later. By Olin D. Wheeler, member of the Minnesota Historical Society. New York. *G. P. Putnam's Sons.* 1904, 2 vols. 8°.

1904

New Material Concerning the Lewis and Clark Edition; unpublished Letters and Portraits of William Clark, from the Family Records.

"Century," October, 1907.

1904

First Adventurers up the Missouri River, by A. C. Laut.

"Outing," March, 1904.

1906

Genealogies of the Lewis and Kindred Families; edited by John Meriweather McAllister and Lura Bolton Tandy. Printed by E. W. Stephens Publishing Company, Columbia, Mo. 1906. 8°.

1908

Notes Supplementary to any Edition of Lewis and Clark. By Frederick J. Teggart, Curator of the Academy of Pacific Coast History, University of California.

NOTE: From Annual Report American Historical Association, 1908, vol. I.

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"Address before the Mechanics' Institute, at the close of the Sixth Annual Fair, November 14th, 1853," by William Bross, Chicago: *Democratic Press Steam Print*, 1853.

"Guyer's Progressive Age, and Chicago Path-Finder," edited by Isaac D. Guyer, vol. I., No. 2, Chicago, 1859.

"National Elementary Speller," by J. Madison Watson, Chicago: *George Sherwood*, 1863.

"The Academy of Music Gazette," Feb. 10, 1864, Chicago: *W. J. Jefferson & Co.*, 1864.

"The Poets and Poetry of Minnesota." Edited by Mrs. W. J. Arnold. Chicago: *S. P. Rounds*, 1864.

"The Tax Payers' Guide: Containing the Rulings and Decisions of the Hon. Joseph J. Lewis, Commissioner of Internal Revenue, under the Act of June 30, 1864," compiled by C. R. Field, Chicago: *John R. Walsh*, 1864. The gift of MR. JULIUS FRANKEL.

George Schneider's personal copy as Collector of Port of Chicago.

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"The Homeopathic Guide," by George E. Shipman, 2d ed., Chicago: *C. S. Halsey*, 1865.

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J. F. Aitkin & Co., 1869.

"The American Builder & Journal of Art," edited by Charles C. Lakey, vol. 1, No. 3, Chicago, 1869.

"Songs for the New Life," by Rev. Darius E. Jones, Chicago: *Root & Cady*, 1869.

"The Heathen Chinee," by F. BRETH HARTE, Chicago: *Western News Company*, 1870.

"The Prize," by George F. Root, Chicago: *Root & Cady*, 1870.

"The Western Bookseller," vol. 3, No. 6, Chicago, 1870.

"Poems," by H. C. Ballard, Chicago: *Church, Goodman & Donnelley*, 1870. The gift of MR. S. H. KERFOOT, JR.

Advertisement of C. M. Broughton, Chicago dealer in books, etc., giving a list of fire alarm stations in Chicago before the Chicago Fire, 1871. The gift of MR. BYRON L. SMITH.

A similar gift was made by MR. LOUIS A. SEEBERGER.

"The Chicago Tribune," October 11, 13, 14, 1871; "The Chicago Republican," October 15, 1871; "Chicago Evening Journal," October 11, 13, 1871. The gifts of MR. W. L. BROWN.

"Old-Time Pictures and Sheaves of Rhyme," by Benjamin F. Taylor, Chicago: *S. C. Griggs & Company*, 1874.

"The Bryant Celebration by the Chicago Literary Club, November 3, 1874," Chicago: *Jansen, McClurg & Company*, 1875. The gift of MR. JULIUS FRANKEL.

"Officers, Directors, and Report of the Condition of the National Bank of Illinois at Chicago, May, 1874." The gift of MR. BYRON L. SMITH.

In presenting the last mentioned, Mr. Smith writes: "The stockholders were amongst the leading citizens of that day, and I think with the exception of Clarence L. Peck, Ferdinand W. Peck, John R. Walsh, Henry W. Bishop and myself, all are dead."

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CHICAGO MISCELLANY

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CHICAGO MISCELLANY

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"History of Cook County, Illinois," edited by W. A. Goodspeed and D. D. Healy, vols. 1-2, Chicago: *Goodspeed Historical Association*, 1909. The gift of MR. W. A. GOODSPED.

"The White City; The Historical, Biographical and Philanthropical Record of Illinois," by John Moses and Paul Selby, Chicago, 1893. The gift of MR. C. F. GUNTHER.

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Respectfully submitted,
CAROLINE M. McILVAINE,
Librarian.

On motion of MR. HAMILTON, seconded by MR. FRANKEL, the Librarian's Report was accepted, approved and referred to the Executive Committee.

The Committee on Nomination now returned and its Chairman, REV. BISHOP CHENEY, presented its report as follows:

November 15, 1910.

Mr. President:

The Nominating Committee begs leave to recommend the following names for election:

For President, THOMAS DENT, to succeed FRANKLIN H. HEAD, who asks to be relieved.

For First Vice-President, WALTER C. NEWBERRY, to succeed THOMAS DENT.

For Second Vice-President, CHARLES H. CONOVER, to succeed the late LAMBERT TREE.

For members of the Executive Committee:

GEORGE MERRYWEATHER, to succeed himself, for the term ending November, 1914.

WILLIAM A. FULLER, to succeed himself, for the term ending November, 1914.

SEYMOUR MORRIS, to fill the unexpired term of WALTER C. NEWBERRY, nominated for the Vice-Presidency.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES EDWARD CHENEY,

JAMES H. ROBERTS,

N. S. DAVIS,

Nominating Committee.

On motion of MR. GUNTHER, seconded by MR. FRANKEL, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Society for the persons named for the several offices. The Secretary did as instructed and THE PRESIDENT declared the nominees duly elected.

As there was no deferred business, THE PRESIDENT asked whether there was any new matter to be considered by the Society. Thereupon MR. FRANKEL presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee of five or more who from time to time report if it is expedient for the interest of the Chicago Historical Society to change its quarters to a more central location.

After the resolution was duly seconded, the President called for the vote of the Society. The resolution was lost.

There being no further business, on motion of DR. STONE, seconded by MR. BURLEY, the Society adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

O. L. SCHMIDT,
Secretary of the Meeting

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